



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CYSTINURIA AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** Cystinuria is a chronic genetic condition characterized by excessive cystine in the urine, leading to the formation of cystine stones in the kidney, ureter, and bladder; and
- WHEREAS:** Thousands of Americans are affected by cystinuria, with the majority of patients presenting with symptomatic stones before the age of 30; and
- WHEREAS:** Cystinuria patients often endure episodes of debilitating pain (called renal colic), nausea, vomiting, and recurrent urinary tract infections, and typically require numerous surgical interventions for stone removal which can cause physical, emotional, and financial strain on patients and their families; and
- WHEREAS:** Affected individuals may suffer from potentially serious medical complications such as hypertension, renal insufficiency, and, rarely, kidney failure; and
- WHEREAS:** Studies have demonstrated that individuals with cystinuria have a lower health-related quality of life than the general population, specifically in areas of general health, bodily pain, and mental health; and
- WHEREAS:** Although there is no cure for cystinuria, early diagnosis and management with dietary measures and medications can help prevent stone formation and limit long-term kidney damage; and
- WHEREAS:** Cystinuria Awareness Day seeks to raise awareness of cystinuria and the importance of early diagnosis and management, and recognize the need for support to those who have this disease and research to improve screening and treatments; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 24, 2022 as CYSTINURIA AWARENESS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 9th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Martha Kipertovich

CHIEF OF STAFF