



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS MONTH

- WHEREAS:** More than 700 injury crashes involve distracted driving on an average day, and the economic toll of all motor vehicle crashes in the United States annually exceeds \$400 billion; and
- WHEREAS:** Talking on a mobile phone, even in hands-free mode, texting, or programming your dashboard infotainment system or GPS device, can divert one's attention away from driving and result in physical or cognitive distraction; and
- WHEREAS:** Preventing distracted driving injuries and deaths requires the cooperation of all levels of government, employers, and the general public; and
- WHEREAS:** The National Safety Council Southeastern Chapter works to promote policies, practices and procedures leading to increased safety, protection and health in business and industry, in schools and colleges, on roads and highways, and in homes and communities, and is working all month long to educate the public about distracted driving; and
- WHEREAS:** Spring is a time when people begin to log more miles on the road, and it is imperative to focus attention on motor vehicle injury risks and preventions; now
- WHEREAS:** During Distracted Driving Awareness Month, Georgians are encouraged to practice safe driving behaviors and pledge to drive distraction-free; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 2022 as DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



*B. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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CHIEF OF STAFF