BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

EHLERS-DANLOS SYNDROMES AND HYPERMOBILITY SPECTRUM DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS: Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes (EDS) represent multiple genetic disorders involving mutations in connective tissue that are characterized by joint hypermobility, skin hyperextensibility, and tissue fragility; and

WHEREAS: There are 13 types of EDS that are characterized by distinctive features, with vascular Ehlers-Danlos being the most severe; and

WHEREAS: While EDS has no known treatment or cure, early and accurate diagnosis can provide the opportunity to create life-saving medical plans and ensure quality of life for those living with EDS; and

WHEREAS: A network of EDS support groups can help connect those managing life with the disease, as well as better inform the medical community and the general public; and

WHEREAS: Further awareness and medical research can bring hope for the development of treatments and a cure for Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 2022 as EHLERS-DANLOS SYNDROMES AND HYPERMOBILITY SPECTRUM DISORDERS 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 23rd day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

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GOVERNOR

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CHIEF OF STAFF

ATTEST

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