BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

GASTROPARESIS AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS: Gastroparesis (stomach paralysis) is a debilitating disorder characterized by severe pain, nausea, and vomiting and can lead to malnourishment, dehydration, extreme weight loss, esophageal damage, and other such complications; and

WHEREAS: Gastroparesis is a chronic illness which, according to National Institutes of Health (NIH), affects more than five million people in the United States; and

WHEREAS: There is little public awareness, no known cure, and few consistently safe, reliable, and effective medications or treatments; and

WHEREAS: Further research, improved medications, additional treatment options, and better support are essential to improving the quality of life for those living with gastroparesis; and

WHEREAS: This month seeks to promote awareness among the citizens of Georgia, the medical community, and the public regarding the effects of this disorder and support for those living with gastroparesis; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim August 2022 as GASTROPARESIS 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 24th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

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GOVERNOR

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CHIEF OF STAFF