

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

INCLUSIVE EARLY LEARNING WEEK

WHEREAS: Georgia recognizes that each child is unique, learns differently, and, therefore,

learns optimally if teaching is tailored to his/her abilities and interests; and

WHEREAS: DECAL works diligently to ensure that Georgia's early education programs are

characterized as high-quality, inclusive environments where all children can

learn and grow as individuals; and

WHEREAS: DECAL has partnered with local school systems and private childcare centers

in Georgia to create and support 189 inclusion classrooms in Georgia's Pre-K

Program; and

WHEREAS: DECAL has developed resources and a network of professionals to help

teachers meet the needs of every child in their care; and

WHEREAS: DECAL's efforts have contributed significantly to the empowerment and

capacity of programs, providers, families, and communities to support children

with disabilities in high-quality, inclusive environments in Georgia; and

WHEREAS: During this special week DECAL will support early learning professionals,

> administrators, stakeholders, families, and Georgia's citizens in focusing awareness on ensuring that ALL children, including children with disabilities,

are served in high quality early learning environments; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim

February 13-19, 2022, as INCLUSIVE EARLY LEARNING WEEK in

Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 5th day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



GOVERNOR

ATTEST