BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

LISSENCEPHALY AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS: Lissencephaly is a rare gene-linked brain malformation, causing the brain to have less or no ridges & folds; making it appear smooth. It is estimated about 1 in 100,000 individuals are born with this condition; and

WHEREAS: People living with this condition may also suffer from hypertonia, epilepsy, swallowing disorders, developmental delays, and more; and

WHEREAS: Addressing these complex medical needs early in life is imperative to helping families successfully care for their children at home. There is a great need for more education, awareness, and support for families; and

WHEREAS: It is appropriate that one day each year should be set apart from the rest and be known as Lissencephaly Awareness Day, this day shall be on September 8th; and

WHEREAS: Lissencephaly Foundation Inc., a nonprofit charitable organization, works to help support these individuals by empowering families and educating communities; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 8, 2022, as LISSENCEPHALY 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 29th day of June in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST
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CHIEF OF STAFF