



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

LOCAL QUILT SHOP DAY

- WHEREAS:** Local Quilt Shop Day is an annual arts celebration created to raise awareness about the importance of independent quilt shops to local economies throughout the State of Georgia and the country as a whole; and
- WHEREAS:** The great State of Georgia is home to over 69 local quilt shops and a rich tradition of quilting; and
- WHEREAS:** When the entire world seemed to "rip" apart due to the pandemic, quilters, and seamstress, with the support of their local quilt shops, labored tirelessly to stitch their communities back together. Indeed, many spent countless hours under sewing machine lights creating tens of thousands of face masks to protect healthcare and front-line workers; and
- WHEREAS:** Local quilt shops embody the beating heart of sewing communities worldwide. It is fitting to celebrate their efforts and contributions in the first month of this new and hopeful year of 2022; and
- WHEREAS:** Without local quilt stores, the rich character and even the history of our communities would be forever altered. With enthusiastic support from the communities they serve, we hope our local quilt shops will remain persevere. On Local Quilt Shop Day, Georgians are encouraged to reach out and visit their local quilt shop; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim January 22, 2022 as LOCAL QUILT SHOP DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 1st day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Manton Kippenrich

CHIEF OF STAFF