

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **A PROCLAMATION**

## MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

WHEREAS:	For over three and a half decades, our nation has proudly honored the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. each year by commemorating his day of birth. As a proud son of Georgia, and a towering figure in the Civil Rights movement, he is certainly worthy of this recognition and celebration; and
WHEREAS:	Dr. King left a legacy unlike any other, recognizing great injustice in his world and taking the necessary to steps to right that wrong; and
WHEREAS:	Though he faced threats and violence, Dr. King stood strong in his beliefs and remained committed to his nonviolent tactics, ultimately achieving his goals because of these lofty ideals, not in spite of them; and
WHEREAS:	A transformational leader, Dr. King's message of peace continues to serve as a source of inspiration for millions in America and across the globe, providing each of us with a blueprint for pursuing harmony in our own lives, relationships, and societies; and
WHEREAS:	To this day, Dr. King remains one of Georgia's most beloved leaders – a true American hero. Woven into our national fabric, Dr. King's spirit will never be forgotten; and
WHEREAS:	Forever enshrined both on the State Capitol Grounds and in our national consciousness, may we all reflect on his servant's heart and enduring message of hope; and
WHEREAS:	To commemorate Dr. King, we pause to honor his memory and engage in acts of service across our state this Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; now
THEREFORE:	I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim January 17, 2022 as MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



