



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS: Prostate cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in men and the second leading cause of cancer deaths in men; and

WHEREAS: The American Cancer Society estimates there will be 268,490 new cases of prostate cancer in the United States in 2022, resulting in an estimated 34,500 deaths. It is estimated 9,150 men in Georgia will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in 2022 and it is estimated 1,070 Georgia men will die from this disease; and

WHEREAS: Early prostate cancer often has no symptoms and studies suggest strong familial predisposition may be responsible for 5 to 10 percent of the disease cases; and

WHEREAS: Late-stage prostate cancer commonly spreads to the bones, which can cause pain in the hips, spine, ribs, or other areas in the body. The five-year survival rate approaches 100 percent when prostate cancer is diagnosed and treated early, but drops to 30 percent when it spreads to the other parts of the body; and

WHEREAS: The American Cancer Society recommends men should have an opportunity to make an informed decision about whether to be tested for prostate cancer based on their personal values and preference.; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 2022, as PROSTATE CANCER 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 1st day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



B. P. Kemp

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