BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

REACH Georgia Day

WHEREAS: REACH Georgia is the State of Georgia’s first need-based mentorship and college scholarship program; and

WHEREAS: By the year 2025, projections estimate that 60 percent of jobs in Georgia will require a postsecondary certificate or degree; and

WHEREAS: Ten years after its launch as a key component of the Complete College Georgia Initiative, all 180 public school districts and more than 60 Georgia colleges are participating in the REACH Georgia program; and

WHEREAS: Thousands of academically promising Georgia students of limited financial means have been identified as REACH Scholars, paired with academic and community mentors, and promised up to $10,000 in scholarships at Georgia HOPE eligible institutions; and

WHEREAS: Members of civic, corporate, and faith-based communities throughout the state are coming together to volunteer through REACH Georgia by funding scholarships, serving as mentors and tutors, and providing college and career counseling to REACH Scholars; and

WHEREAS: These students now find themselves better prepared to graduate high school, enroll in a postsecondary institution, and return as successful citizens to our communities and workforce; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia commends the REACH Georgia Scholarship Program upon the occasion of its 10th anniversary and the coordinators, mentors, academic coaches, and supporters for their dedicated service to the lives of REACH Scholars; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 10, 2022, as REACH Georgia Day.

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

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GOVERNOR

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CHIEF OF STAFF