



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

REENTRY WEEK

- WHEREAS:** Reentry is the transition where individuals return back to their communities, in pursuit of leading productive and contributive lives for themselves and their families; and
- WHEREAS:** Reentry services professionals and practitioners are compassionate and devoted public servants who serve those returning to society with resources and support to overcome barriers and stigma; and
- WHEREAS:** Reentry, when fully implemented, empowers returning citizens to refrain from crime and incentivizes law-abiding behavior, thus supporting public safety in our local communities and across the State of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** The process of preparing people for release includes addressing a wide range of needs and involves providers in the areas of housing, medical, job readiness, financial literacy, faith-based services, and more; and
- WHEREAS:** Georgia is fortunate to have the Department of Community Supervision and a network of several other agencies and organizations, like Returning Citizens, align their work to provide a seamless plan of services to every individual returning to their respective communities; and
- WHEREAS:** Reentry services professionals are a true force for positive change and work diligently to advocate and restore justice to impacted communities, advancing the vision that every person who is released from incarceration will have the resources and support needed to succeed; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 24 – 30, 2022 as REENTRY WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 8th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Melinda Kipertich

CHIEF OF STAFF