

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

ULYSSES S. GRANT DAY

WHEREAS:

Ulysses S. Grant was born 200 years ago, in Point Pleasant, Ohio, on April 27,

1822; and

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Upon the outbreak of the Civil War, Grant offered his services to the Union cause and, over the course of many battles and campaigns, became the principal author of Union victory, rising to be supreme commander of the Union armies

in 1864; and

WHEREAS:

General Robert E. Lee's surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia to General Grant at Appomattox Court House on April 9, 1865, marked the virtual end of the Civil War. General Grant's magnanimous surrender terms won him the gratitude of those who had fought his armies on the battlefield. His military victory also enabled the emancipation of enslaved people; and

General Grant accepted the Republican Party's nomination as president and

served as the nation's eighteenth president from 1869 to 1877; and

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President Grant secured the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment and achieved significant benchmarks in peace, including the successful resolution of disputes with Spain and Great Britain that threatened war. The Treaty of Washington helped establish the principle of international arbitration as a means

for the peaceful resolution of major international disputes; and

WHEREAS:

On the bicentennial of his birth, Americans are recognizing General and President Ulysses S. Grant for his many contributions to our nation's history, and the State of Georgia joins in celebrating his memory and honoring the

principles of service to country he embodied; now

THEREFORE:

I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 27, 2022, as ULYSSES S. GRANT DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 26th day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



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