BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

WIDOWS DAY

WHEREAS: There are about 14 million widows in the United States and more than 258 million widows worldwide. In 2010, the United Nations recognized June 23 as the first International Widows Day of Awareness and the day has been recognized annually since; and

WHEREAS: Widows Day brings awareness to both the tragedy of losing a spouse and the hardships that widows suffer following the death of their spouses; and

WHEREAS: The Modern Widows Club is an interfaith, multi-generational nonprofit that provides a myriad of social needs for widows and raises awareness through advocacy. The North Atlanta Community of the Modern Widows Club helps empower widows and provide them with tools to build resilience and make positive impacts; and

WHEREAS: By giving widows this recognition and a voice, it encourages them to discover all that is available to move forward and rebuild purposeful and meaningful lives with the support of their communities; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia honors Widows Day and thanks the North Atlanta Community of the Modern Widows Club and many others for their tireless efforts to ensure widows have the support they need to thrive; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 23, 2022, as WIDOWS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 6th day of June in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

APTEST

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CHIEF OF STAFF