



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA.

A PROCLAMATION

ARTHROGRYPOSIS AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** Arthrogyposis Multiplex Congenita (AMC) is a medical condition that causes the joints to be stiff and crooked at birth; and
- WHEREAS:** A newborn with Arthrogyposis lacks the normal range of motion in one or more joints. This prenatal condition can be caused by underlying and preexisting conditions; and
- WHEREAS:** In order to be diagnosed with AMC, a newborn must have three contracted joints in two different areas of the body; and
- WHEREAS:** Joints with the potential to be affected by AMC include hands, feet, hips, knees, elbows, shoulders, wrists, fingers, and toes. Additionally, the jaw and spine can be affected; and
- WHEREAS:** Although Arthrogyposis is not curable, it is treatable. Treatment goals intend to allow those living with the condition to have as much independence in their daily lives as possible; and
- WHEREAS:** Increased awareness will improve the capacity for research of better treatments and access to care for arthrogyposis: now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 30th, 2023, as ARTHROGRYPOSIS AWARENESS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 23rd day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Martha Kipferich

CHIEF OF STAFF