

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **A PROCLAMATION**

## CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM WEEK

- WHEREAS: Since its inception in 1968, the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) has granted children the best possible foundation in life and benefited many adults, both of which are vital to our state's long-term health; and
- WHEREAS: The two fundamental goals of the CACFP are that children served by this program will be well nourished during their critically important developmental years and that they will learn healthy eating behaviors that will last their lifetime because emotional, mental, and physical health originates with nutritious eating; and
- Georgia's child and adult care providers, nutrition educators, program specialists and WHEREAS: staff, state and federal professionals, and parents contribute to the success of this important program; and

WHEREAS: The CACFP in Georgia, administered by the Department of Early Care and Learning, served 67,134,168 meals to children and adults in child-care learning centers, family child care learning homes, afterschool sites, and adult day care centers during FY2022; and

- WHEREAS: Georgia citizens, stakeholders, and organizations interested in meeting children's and vulnerable adults' nutritional needs must unite to highlight child and adult care food programs that provide quality care and nutrition security to children and older adults in our communities; now
- **THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 12-18, 2023, as CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM WEEK 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 February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.



