

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION WEEK

WHEREAS:	Computer Science Education Week highlights the crucial role that computer science plays in transforming our society and how computer science enables innovation and creates economic opportunities; and
WHEREAS:	Computing technology is an integral part of modern life and is transforming how people interact with each other and the world around them; and
WHEREAS:	The field of computer science is a foundational subject area for Georgia's economy and security; and
WHEREAS:	Providing computer science opportunities to students is shown to improve critical thinking, reasoning, and academic outcomes; and
WHEREAS:	All students deserve thorough preparation in computer science education, including access to qualified teachers, technology, and age-appropriate curriculum needed to learn at all levels of education; and
WHEREAS:	Participating in an Hour of Code during Computer Science Education Week can serve to demystify the field of computer science and encourage more students to take up the field of computer science; and
WHEREAS:	The field of computer science has significant barriers to address, including more participation by groups historically underrepresented in computer science, including young women; and
WHEREAS:	Grace Murray Hopper, one of the first women in the field of computer science, engineered new programming languages and pioneered standards for computer systems which laid the foundations for many advancements in computer science. The week of December 4 th is designated as Computer Science Education Week in honor of her birthday on December 9 th ; now
THEREFORE:	I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim December 4 th – 10 th , 2023, as COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 15th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

