



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA.

A PROCLAMATION

LIMB LOSS AWARENESS MONTH

- WHEREAS:** There are approximately 2.1 million Americans living with limb loss and limb difference, and over 500 Americans lose a limb every day; and
- WHEREAS:** Diabetes, peripheral vascular disease, and trauma are cited as the leading causes of amputation with approximately 99% of cases being contributed to them; and
- WHEREAS:** Studies have shown that behaviors such as diabetes management, properly treating wounds, and observing safety practices can be effective in preventing amputations; and
- WHEREAS:** Access to appropriate prosthetic care for people living with limb loss is vital to enable individuals to reach their full potential, live independently, and live well; and
- WHEREAS:** The Amputee Coalition provides education, support, and advocacy through the National Limb Loss Resource Center for the benefit of persons with limb loss and limb difference, their families, and health care providers throughout the United States; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 2023, as LIMB LOSS AWARENESS MONTH 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. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Martin Kipferich

CHIEF OF STAFF