



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

LISSENCEPHALY AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** Lissencephaly is a rare gene-linked brain malformation, causing the brain to have less or no ridges & folds – making it appear smooth; and
- WHEREAS:** People living with this condition may also suffer from hypertonia, epilepsy, swallowing disorders, developmental delays, and more; and
- WHEREAS:** Addressing these complex medical needs early in life is imperative to helping families successfully care for their children at home. Further awareness of this condition is imperative to providing needed community education and support for families; and
- WHEREAS:** Organizations such as the Lissencephaly Foundation Inc provide much needed support to individuals suffering from this condition, empowering their families, and educating communities; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia encourages its citizens, patients, caregivers, medical professionals, and organizations to learn more about this condition and to spread awareness in order to improve treatment options; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 8, 2023, as LISSENCEPHALY 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 25th day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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CHIEF OF STAFF