

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

MALAN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS:	Malan syndrome is a rare genetic disorder first identified in 2010 and caused by a change in the Nuclear Factor One X (NFIX) gene. The NFIX gene is located on the short arm (called "p") of chromosome 19 at position 13.2; and
WHEREAS:	Malan Syndrome is characterized by overgrowth, intellectual disability, vision and/or hearing impairment, skeletal anomalies, epilepsy, and anxiety; and
WHEREAS:	Malan syndrome affects hundreds of individuals worldwide, including many residents of the State of Georgia; and
WHEREAS:	Organizations such as the Malan Syndrome Foundation work to improve the lives of individuals and families affected by Malan Syndrome in the global community through support, outreach, and research; and
WHEREAS:	In order to raise awareness for this disease and to further educate the public on the risks and symptoms associated with it, the State of Georgia honors Malan Syndrome Awareness Day on August 19; now
THEREFORE:	I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim August 19, 2023, as MALAN SYNDROME 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 31st day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

