



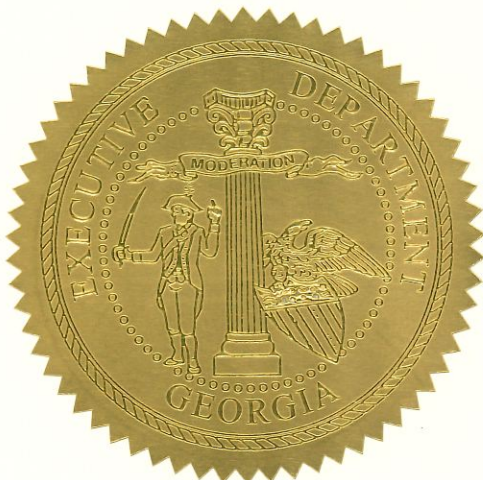
BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

PRESCRIBED FIRE AWARENESS WEEK

- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Prescribed Burning Act of 1992 declares and protects prescribed burning as a valuable and necessary forest management tool; and
- WHEREAS:** Prescribed burning of Georgia's forestland is a valuable land management practice for protecting the forest from devastating wildfires and managing valuable wildlife species; and
- WHEREAS:** Professional foresters, and other land resource managers use prescribed burning for improving forest health, reducing hazardous forest fuels, and for reforestation; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Forestry Commission, along with partner agencies and organizations across the state support, promote, educate, and train for the continued use of prescribed burning for public benefit and safety; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia is appreciative of the land managers who protect and maintain Georgia's natural heritage for present and future generations; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 5-11, 2023, as PRESCRIBED FIRE AWARENESS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 6th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.



B.P.K.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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