



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

RED RIBBON WEEK

- WHEREAS:** The social consequences of drug and alcohol abuse affect every sector of society, including children. It is imperative that visible, unified efforts by community members be launched to prevent drug abuse; and
- WHEREAS:** Red Ribbon Week is a time when communities begin campaigns to empower their citizens to fight alcohol and drug abuse in their homes; and
- WHEREAS:** Businesses, government, law enforcement, media, healthcare providers, religious institutions, schools, and other community-based organizations will demonstrate their commitment to healthy, drug-free lifestyles by wearing red ribbons and participating in drug prevention activities; and
- WHEREAS:** The Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities further commits its resources to ensure the success of Red Ribbon Week; and
- WHEREAS:** Red Ribbon Week offers citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free lifestyles; and
- WHEREAS:** During Red Ribbon Week, the State of Georgia is proud to recognize the Red Ribbon Campaign, which has received national recognition as one of the most visible and effective drug awareness programs; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby October 23 – 31, 2023, as RED RIBBON WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 20th day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Matthew Kipertovich

CHIEF OF STAFF