



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

MULTIPLE SULFATASE DEFICIENCY DAY

- WHEREAS:** Multiple Sulfatase Deficiency (MSD) impacts 1 in 500,000 individuals, and there has been minimal research done until recent years because of the lack of commercial viability for treatment; and
- WHEREAS:** MSD statistically impacts 750 children in the United States and more than 15,000 worldwide; and
- WHEREAS:** Children with MSD often do not live past their 13th birthday; and
- WHEREAS:** In 2021, MSD families from around the world came together to create the first MSD World Day; and
- WHEREAS:** The date chosen in 2021, was July 30 in honor of the late Professor Thomas Dierks, one of the researchers who first described the biological cause of MSD and whose team identified the SUMF1 gene which encodes for the formylglycine generating enzyme deficient in MSD children; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim July 30, 2024, as MULTIPLE SULFATASE DEFICIENCY DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 8th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Laura M. Curry

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