



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### RECOVERY MONTH

- WHEREAS:** Behavioral health is an essential part of one's overall health and well-being. Recovery from addiction occurs every day through a variety of recovery support services and treatment programs; and
- WHEREAS:** Prevention of substance use disorders works, treatment is effective, and people recover across Georgia and around the nation and live happy, joyous, and free in long-term recovery; and
- WHEREAS:** The 2024 Georgia Recovers bus tour celebrates "Georgia Recovers in Communities" and recognizes we are never alone on this journey through recovery and will deliver over 100 Overdose Reversal Kits to communities across Georgia to be accessible in local government buildings; and
- WHEREAS:** Education throughout our communities about recovery and addiction is essential to combating the stigma and discrimination faced by many people in recovery; and
- WHEREAS:** To help more people experience and sustain long-term recovery, the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, the Georgia Council for Recovery, and the Georgia General Assembly Working Group on Addiction and Recovery, invite all residents of the State of Georgia to participate in National Recovery Month; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 2024, as RECOVERY MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.



*B. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Laura M. Curry*

CHIEF OF STAFF