

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

STATE ACCOUNTING OFFICE 20TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS: The State Accounting Office (SAO) was established on October 6, 2004, by executive order to realign Georgia's financial reporting and financial system responsibilities under a single State Accounting Officer. For 20 years, SAO has been a trusted provider of enterprise business solutions with a focus on integrity, accountability, reliability and service excellence; and

WHEREAS: SAO has provided fiscal leadership for Georgia by assuring the integrity of financial records, assuring the reliable presentation of financial results and assisting state organizations in complying with state and federal financial reporting requirements; and

WHEREAS: SAO provides shared accounting services to state organizations for transactions, reducing duplicate effort, enabling staff to focus on the core mission of their agency and providing a high level of service; and

WHEREAS: SAO has been responsible for operating statewide financial and human capital management systems. Today, SAO is evolving to meet the needs of agency partners by overseeing the implementation of a new cloud-based system to manage the state's advancing financial and human capital management needs; and

WHEREAS: Over the past 20 years, SAO's employees have been the office's most valuable asset, ensuring SAO's success because of their steadfast dedication, their commitment to improve accountability and efficiencies across the state, their ability to foster positive relationships enterprise-wide, and enable agencies to carry out their missions to serve the citizens of Georgia. The State of Georgia extends its congratulations to them for all their hard work; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 6, 2024, as THE STATE ACCOUNTING OFFICE'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 24th day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

