



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

TRISOMY AWARENESS MONTH in GEORGIA

- WHEREAS:** Trisomy is the presence within a person's cells of a single extra chromosome, yielding a total of three chromosomes instead of a pair. As a type of aneuploidy, trisomy can occur with any of the 23 pairs of chromosomes individuals have; and
- WHEREAS:** The most common trisomies in newborns are trisomy 21 (Down syndrome), trisomy 18 (Edwards syndrome), and trisomy 13 (Patau syndrome); and
- WHEREAS:** Local support groups, medical professionals and online communities offer education, encouragement, and counseling for those managing trisomy pregnancies or raising trisomy-affected children; and
- WHEREAS:** During the month of March, the State of Georgia observes "Trisomy Awareness Month" to increase awareness of Trisomy, a genetic disorder that deeply affects families; and
- WHEREAS:** The people of Georgia are encouraged to educate themselves on all forms of trisomy, support families currently experiencing trisomy, and to uplift those with developmental disabilities to achieve their full potential; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 2024, as TRISOMY AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 22nd day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.



B. Kemp
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry
CHIEF OF STAFF