



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

**A PROCLAMATION**

**DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK**

- WHEREAS:** Diaper need, the condition of not being able to afford a sufficient supply of clean diapers to keep babies and toddlers clean, dry, and healthy, can adversely affect the health and well-being of children and their families; and
- WHEREAS:** National surveys and research studies report that nearly one in two families struggles with diaper need. A daily or weekly supply of diapers is generally an eligibility requirement for babies and toddlers to participate in childcare programs and quality early-education programs that enable children to thrive and parents to work. Many parents struggling with diaper need report missing an average of five days of work each month due to an insufficient supply of diapers; and
- WHEREAS:** Without enough diapers, babies and toddlers risk infections and health problems that may require medical attention resulting in medical costs, and parents may be prevented from accessing childcare needed to go to work or school, thereby destabilizing the family's economic prospects and well-being; and
- WHEREAS:** The people of Georgia recognize that diaper need is a public health issue, and addressing diaper need can lead to economic opportunity for the state's families and communities and improved health for children, thus ensuring all children and families have access to the basic necessities required to thrive and reach their full potential; and
- WHEREAS:** Georgia is proud to be home to organizations including Athens Area Diaper Bank, Diaper Bank of North Georgia, Helping Mamas, Over the Moon Diaper Bank, and others that recognize the importance of diapers in ensuring health and providing economic stability for families and thus distribute diapers to families through various channels; now
- WHEREAS:** During Diaper Need Awareness Week, Georgians are encouraged to learn about this important issue facing many of their neighbors and to find ways to get involved in meeting this need in their own communities; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 15-21, 2025, as DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



*B. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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