

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **A PROCLAMATION**

## **DONATE LIFE MONTH**

WHEREAS: One of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow upon another is the Gift of Life; and

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WHEREAS: Over 3,000 men, women, and children await lifesaving or life-enhancing organ transplants in Georgia; and

WHEREAS: The need for organ, eye, and tissue donation grows daily as a new patient is added to the national waiting list for an organ transplant every 9 minutes; and

WHEREAS: There remains a critical need for donors as an average of 17 people die daily due to the lack of available organs; and

WHEREAS: Organ, eye, and tissue donation can provide families the comfort of knowing the gift of donated organs and tissue endows another person with renewed hope for a healthy life; and

WHEREAS:

More than 3.8 million Georgians have already registered their decision to give the Gift of Life at www.donatelifegeorgia.org or when getting or renewing their driver license or state identification card at a driver license office or when obtaining a hunting or fishing license online; and

WHEREAS: LifeLink of Georgia is the non-profit, community service organization dedicated to the recovery of high-quality organs and tissues for transplantation therapy Georgia, with a mission to honor donors and save lives through organ and tissue donation; and

WHEREAS: Donating life through organ, eye, and tissue donation is the ultimate act of generosity and kindness Georgia citizens can perform; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia recognizes the importance of organ donation and the significant gift it can be during Donate Life Month; now

**THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 2025, as DONATE LIFE MONTH in Georgia.

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

ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFF