



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

ECZEMA AWARENESS MONTH

- WHEREAS:** Eczema is a name for a group of inflammatory skin conditions that causes profound itch, dry skin, rashes, blisters, and skin; and
- WHEREAS:** The prevalence of eczema is increasing, with an estimated 1 in 10 individuals affected, totaling over 31.6 million children and adults in the United States alone; and
- WHEREAS:** The annual economic burden of eczema, including direct medical costs, indirect costs from lost productivity, and quality of life impacts, is conservatively estimated at \$5.3 billion; and
- WHEREAS:** Adults and children with eczema are at risk for, and frequently also experience additional comorbid health conditions such as asthma, allergic rhinitis, food allergies, and bacterial, viral and fungal skin infections; and
- WHEREAS:** Eczema adults with atopic dermatitis have 2.5 to 3-fold higher risk for anxiety and/or depression; and children with atopic dermatitis are two to six times more likely to have a depression and/or anxiety than children without atopic dermatitis; and
- WHEREAS:** There is no cure for eczema, but new and emerging treatments and technologies promise a much brighter future for eczema patients; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 2025, as ECZEMA 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 31st day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

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