



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

IGA NEPHROPATHY AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** 1 out of 7 Americans has chronic kidney disease, known as IgA Nephropathy (IgAN) or Berger's disease. IgAN often strikes people in their 20s and 30s who are building their careers, raising families, and planning for the future. Early diagnosis is essential, over half of patients experience delays in being correctly diagnosed with IgAN; and
- WHEREAS:** Over 1 out of 3 people with IgAN will develop end-stage kidney disease and require dialysis or kidney transplantation to survive. Although transplants can greatly improve quality of life, IgAN can return in the new kidney; and
- WHEREAS:** Though current treatments can help slow the rate of progression and relieve some symptoms, there exists no cure for IgAN, and the uncertainty of how the disease progresses weighs heavily on patients and families; and
- WHEREAS:** There is limited understanding of IgAN, even among kidney specialists. IGA Nephropathy Awareness Day provides an opportunity to raise awareness of IgAN, its impact on people's lives, the importance of early diagnosis, and the urgent need to find a cure; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 14, 2025, as IGA NEPHROPATHY AWARENESS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 17th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

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