



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

- WHEREAS:** Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a native son of Georgia, called upon all men and women to live up to the founding principle that all of us are created equal; and
- WHEREAS:** Dr. King devoted his life to the ideals of peaceful social change while facing threats and violence, and his principles and actions continue to inspire people of all nations; and
- WHEREAS:** Through and beyond their marriage of almost 15 years, Coretta Scott King worked at his side and alongside individuals of all ages, races, and backgrounds to encourage Americans to come together to strengthen communities and acknowledge the dignity and respect of all human beings; and
- WHEREAS:** His legacy, faithfully promoted by Mrs. King through her work as an author and community leader, continues to inspire Americans and the people of other nations to act in service to help others improve their own lives; and
- WHEREAS:** This year marks Georgia's 39th annual celebration of the life of the Martin Luther King, Jr. and the 38th year of the federal holiday. In remembrance of his life, Georgians will participate in service projects in communities across the state on Monday, January 15, 2024; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim January 20, 2024, as MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY in Georgia.

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



*B. P. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Laura M. Curry*

CHIEF OF STAFF