



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL RURAL HEALTH DAY

- WHEREAS:** Rural communities in Georgia and throughout the United States are great places to live, work, and raise a family, with nearly 61 million people (19.7% of the population) and 86% of the country's land area being considered rural; and
- WHEREAS:** Georgia's rural communities are the backbone of our state, and rural healthcare remains a top priority of the Kemp Administration; and
- WHEREAS:** Ambulatory and emergency medical services are especially critical in rural communities, where trauma deaths may be more prevalent due to limited resources and care; and
- WHEREAS:** Rural hospitals, in addition to being sources of innovation and resources, reach beyond geographical boundaries to deliver quality care and often serve as a strong economic foundation in their communities; and
- WHEREAS:** Rural healthcare providers offer comprehensive, compassionate, patient-centered, and holistic care to their patients. The State of Georgia recognizes the critical role healthcare providers in rural communities serve in providing access to quality healthcare across Georgia, which is why the state has implemented several programs to enhance the rural healthcare workforce pipeline in recent years; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia State Office of Rural Health and National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health continue to play a distinct and critical role in the efforts to address the unique healthcare needs of our rural citizens; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 20, 2025, as RURAL HEALTH DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 1st day of October in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Laura M. Curry

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