

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

RETT SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS: Rett Syndrome is a postnatal genetic neurological disorder that occurs almost

exclusively in females (and even more rarely in males). Every 2 hours, a girl is born with Rett syndrome, but its symptoms usually do not appear until 6 to 18 months. However, biomedical research in mice suggests that neurological symptoms may be

reversed even after decades of severe symptoms; and

WHEREAS: A regression period leads to lifelong impairment with multiple dysfunctions: speech is

lost, seizures can develop, scoliosis occurs, many develop irregular breathing patterns, and more than half of the girls and women lose their ability to walk. The hallmark sign of Rett Syndrome is near constant repetitive hand movements while awake; and

WHEREAS: Those diagnosed with Rett syndrome require maximum assistance with daily living

activities; and

WHEREAS: Rettsyndrome.org is the world's largest private source of funds for Rett Syndrome

research addressing the full spectrum of this developmental disorder while advocating

to improve the quality of life for the patients and their families; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia encourages its citizens to engage in activities to bring awareness

of Rett Syndrome in order to continue work towards finding a cure; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby October 2025, as

RETT SNDROME 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 11th day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



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GOVERNOR

ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFF