

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

SECOND CHANCE MONTH

WHEREAS:

Every person is endowed with human dignity and value; redemption and second

chances are American values; and

WHEREAS:

Individuals returning from prison and those under community supervision must

overcome barriers in their journeys to become law-abiding, productive members of

society; and

WHEREAS:

These barriers can contribute to reoffending, which increases victimization and

decreases public safety; and

WHEREAS:

Georgia is fortunate to have developed a resource network of public and private

providers working in partnership with the Department of Community Supervision to

promote successful outcomes for those under community supervision; and

WHEREAS:

Reentry services professionals are a dedicated force for positive change in our State

and have made a difference in the lives of many of our fellow Georgians; and

WHEREAS:

The designation of April as Second Chance Month would contribute to increased public awareness about the need for closure for those who have paid their debt, and opportunities for individuals, employers, congregations, and communities to extend

second chances; now

THEREFORE:

I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April

2025, as SECOND CHANCE MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 3^{rd} day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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