

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

VIETNAMESE HERITAGE AND FREEDOM FLAG MONTH

WHEREAS: Many Vietnamese-Americans were forced to leave their homeland for fear of the Communist governments campaign of retribution and persecution after the fall of Saigon in 1975; and

WHEREAS: Scores of Vietnamese refugees who immigrated to the United States settled in Georgia. Since then, they have become loyal citizens of this state and of the United States, making significant contributions in the areas of business, commerce, and culture; and

WHEREAS: Vietnamese-American citizens embrace the Vietnamese Heritage and Freedom Flag, which appears as three red stripes on a saffron background, as the symbol of their community and cultural identity, representing freedom, democracy, and the resilience of the Vietnamese people; and

WHEREAS: The Vietnamese-American community is flourishing and continues to embrace the American spirit of freedom. It is proper that the tangible symbol of that spirit, The Vietnamese Heritage and Freedom Flag, be displayed to recognize and honor the Vietnamese-American community in Georgia; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 2025, as VIETNAMESE HERITAGE AND FREEDOM FLAG MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 13th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

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