



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK

- WHEREAS:** Poor air quality affects the environment, the economy, and the health of all Georgians; and
- WHEREAS:** Exposure to ground-level ozone and fine particulate matter can create respiratory and cardiovascular health challenges for Georgians, affecting our enjoyment of the outdoors and our quality of life; and
- WHEREAS:** The state of Georgia is working with private citizens, businesses, nonprofit organizations, schools, the federal government, and local governments to protect Georgias air quality; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Air Protection Branch is advancing the promise of cleaner air through voluntary programs, the regulation of emissions, and by monitoring levels of air pollutants throughout the state; and
- WHEREAS:** Since 1990, the Georgia gross domestic product has increased 509%, vehicle miles traveled have increased 75%, population has increased 73%, and energy consumption has increased 30%, while carbon dioxide emissions have decreased 12% and criteria air pollutants have decreased 65%; and
- WHEREAS:** The air quality in Georgia is the best it has ever been since we started monitoring it 50 years ago; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 4-8, 2026, as AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 30th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

CHIEF OF STAFF