



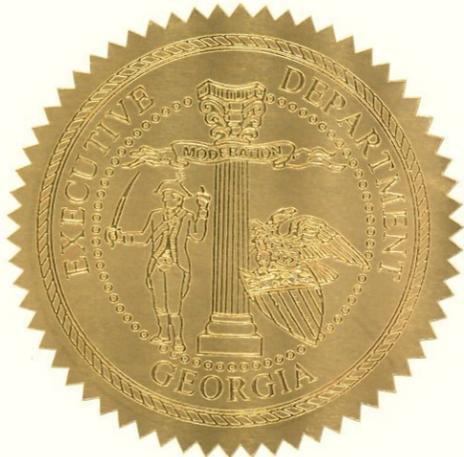
BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS AWARENESS WEEK

- WHEREAS:** Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) is an evidence-based practice that supports individuals with autism spectrum disorder and other developmental and behavioral challenges by promoting meaningful skill development, independence, and improved quality of life; and
- WHEREAS:** Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs), Registered Behavior Technicians (RBTs), behavior specialists, therapists, and related professionals work diligently to design and implement individualized interventions grounded in research, data-driven decision-making, and ethical standards; and
- WHEREAS:** Professionals in the field of special education—including teachers, paraprofessionals, therapists, counselors, psychologists, administrators, and support personnel—provide essential services that ensure students with disabilities receive equitable access to education, individualized instruction, and opportunities for lifelong achievement; and
- WHEREAS:** These dedicated professionals collaborate with families, schools, healthcare providers, and community partners to create inclusive learning environments that promote dignity, growth, and success for all learners; and
- WHEREAS:** The contributions of ABA providers and special education professionals strengthen Georgia's educational system, empower families, and enhance the overall well-being of communities throughout the state; and
- WHEREAS:** Recognizing a designated week of appreciation provides an opportunity to raise public awareness, express gratitude to those serving in these vital professions, and reaffirm the State of Georgia's commitment to supporting individuals with disabilities; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 4-10, 2026, as APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS 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 20th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



B. Kemp
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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