



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CONGENITAL DISORDERS OF GLYCOSYLATION AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation (CDGs) are a large and diverse group of inherited metabolic disorders caused by defects in the glycosylation process, a fundamental cellular pathway essential for normal development and function across nearly every organ system; and
- WHEREAS:** CDGs affect individuals across the lifespan, from infancy through adulthood, and are frequently associated with complex, multi-system involvement including neurological impairment, developmental disability, gastrointestinal disease, endocrine dysfunction, immune dysregulation, vision and hearing loss, and other serious medical complications; and
- WHEREAS:** Advances in genetic testing and clinical recognition indicate that CDGs are more prevalent than previously understood, with current estimates suggesting that tens of thousands of individuals worldwide may be affected, including several thousand individuals in the United States, many of whom remain undiagnosed or misdiagnosed; and
- WHEREAS:** Delayed or missed diagnosis of CDGs can result in prolonged diagnostic journeys, preventable medical complications, limited access to specialized care, and missed opportunities for early intervention, genetic counseling, and emerging treatment options; and
- WHEREAS:** Increasing public, professional, and institutional awareness of CDGs is critical to improving early and accurate diagnosis, expanding access to appropriate multidisciplinary care, advancing research, and supporting individuals and families affected by these rare genetic conditions; and
- WHEREAS:** May 16 has been designated by the CDG community as a day to recognize, honor, and support individuals living with CDGs, their families and caregivers, and the clinicians, researchers, and advocates working to improve outcomes and quality of life; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 16, 2026, as CONGENITAL DISORDERS OF GLYCOSYLATION AWARENESS DAY 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 January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

CHIEF OF STAFF