



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

FABRY DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS: Fabry disease is a progressive, potentially life-threatening inherited disorder caused by variants in the GLA gene leading to a damaging buildup of lipids in multiple body organs and systems, including the heart, brain, kidneys, lungs, and the nervous, auditory, and digestive systems; and

WHEREAS: People with Fabry Disease experience chronic pain in their extremities, reduced ability to perspire, heat intolerance and overheating, and gastrointestinal issues beginning in childhood. Adults may experience stroke, kidney and/ or heart failure, lung disease, and hearing loss at relatively young ages; and

WHEREAS: Newborn screening for Fabry Disease is performed in several states and studies show a higher prevalence of 1 in 4,128 newborns than the previously expected 1 in 50,000 newborns. This suggests many children and adults remain undiagnosed and untreated; and

WHEREAS: Early diagnosis with genetic testing and treatment is vital to reduce the occurrence of adverse quality of life and life-threatening complications. There are currently three FDA approved treatments available to reduce symptoms and slow the onset of organ damage; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April, 2026, as FABRY DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH 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 January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read "B.P.K." followed by a stylized "h".

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read "Lauren M. Curry".

CHIEF OF STAFF