

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

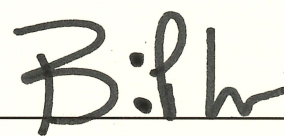
A PROCLAMATION

FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH

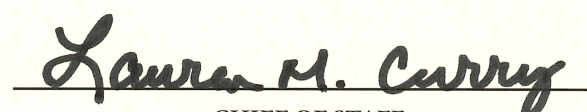
- WHEREAS:** The family unit is the foundation of the State of Georgia, and family caregivers are the primary source of support for older adults and individuals with disabilities, ensuring they can live independently and remain in their local communities; and
- WHEREAS:** An estimated 1.26 million Georgians serve as unpaid family caregivers, stepping up to assist parents, spouses, and other loved ones with daily activities, complex medical tasks, and long-term care management; and
- WHEREAS:** These dedicated Georgians contribute hundreds of millions of hours of uncompensated care annually, balancing these intense responsibilities while often working full-time and contributing to the state's workforce; and
- WHEREAS:** The estimated economic value of this unpaid family care in Georgia has reached \$16.3 billion annually—a staggering contribution that directly shields Georgia taxpayers by preventing or significantly delaying the need for expensive, publicly funded institutional care; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia recognizes that without the quiet dedication and immense economic contribution of family caregivers, our state's health and long-term care systems would face unprecedented financial burdens, making it imperative that we honor their sacrifice and service; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 2026 as FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 23rd day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.




GOVERNOR

ATTEST


CHIEF OF STAFF