



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### GM1 GANGLIOSIDOSIS AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** GM1 Gangliosidosis is a rare inherited disease that results in neurodegeneration and a progressive loss of abilities until death, leaving children, adolescents, and adults impaired with significant physical and developmental disability; and
- WHEREAS:** GM1 Gangliosidosis is severely under-diagnosed and misdiagnosed and occurring in only 1 in every 100,000 - 200,000 live births; and
- WHEREAS:** Lack of public awareness and visibility of GM1 Gangliosidosis contributes to under-diagnosis and difficulties in accessing specialized services and proper rehabilitation and support; and
- WHEREAS:** Early diagnosis of GM1 Gangliosidosis is important to ensure timely management of clinical complications, genetic counseling and available treatment and therapeutic remedies. The goal is to raise awareness and increase the accurate and timely diagnosis of this rare inherited lysosomal disorder, known as GM1 Gangliosidosis; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 23, 2026, as GM1 GANGLIOSIDOSIS 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 25<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



*B. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Lauren M. Curry*

CHIEF OF STAFF