



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA


A PROCLAMATION

KIA DAY

- WHEREAS:** Georgia is a center of automobile manufacturing and home to Kia's assembly plant in West Point, Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** The automobile manufacturing industry in Georgia is resilient and growing. In the last 16 years, Kia Georgia has produced over 5 million vehicles in the state; and
- WHEREAS:** Kia Georgia has contributed over \$23 million to the local community, promoting education, health and wellness, and environmental preservation and sustainability as part of its Corporate Social Responsibility program; and
- WHEREAS:** Kia Georgia has promoted workforce development in K-12 education through its sponsorship of SAE Foundation's "A World In Motion" and Greenpower USA, along with supporting CTAE programs, is actively involved with the Technical College System of Georgia and a founding partner of UGA's Georgia Network for Electric Mobility. Additionally, the Kia brand has 22 dealerships across the state participating in Kia's Veterans Technician Apprenticeship Program; and
- WHEREAS:** Since establishing its assembly plant in 2009 in West Point, Georgia, Kia has invested more than \$3.2 billion in the state, which includes the recent expansion of more than \$200 million at this site for production of electric vehicles; and
- WHEREAS:** Kia is committed to a "customer-centric" business model through its flexible production system focusing on market-driven trends, providing mobility solutions that meet customer needs and exceed expectations; and
- WHEREAS:** Kia Georgia employs more than 3,200 team members, and is responsible for more than 14,000 plant and supplier jobs in the region; and
- WHEREAS:** Kia Georgia is the US manufacturing home of five award-winning models: Telluride, Sorento and Sportage SUVs and the all-electric EV9 and EV6 SUVs, producing 3 powertrains (gasoline, hybrid and electric) on a single-line system; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 11, 2026, as KIA DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 4th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.




GOVERNOR

ATTEST


CHIEF OF STAFF