



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

KINSHIP CARE MONTH

- WHEREAS:

Families are the primary source of love and support for children and youth in care, and the State of Georgia thrives when children are in safe and loving homes; and
- WHEREAS:

Children and youth need a sense of safety, encouragement, and stability for their emotional, physical, and developmental health; and
- WHEREAS:

When circumstances necessitate that children or youth can no longer remain under the care of a parent, placing them with a relative or trusted family friend-- referred to as kinship caregivers-- is the preferred option; and
- WHEREAS:

The kinship caregivers who open their hearts and homes to care for children play a vital role in helping youth remain with the people they love and in the communities they know; and
- WHEREAS:

The State of Georgia and the Georgia Department of Human Services are committed to supporting this selfless act by celebrating those who raise children in kinship care and honoring the many organizations and individuals throughout Georgia who provide support for kinship caregivers; now
- THEREFORE:

I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 2026, as KINSHIP CARE 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 July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

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