



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### LAW ENFORCEMENT K-9 MONTH

**WHEREAS:** Law Enforcement K-9s are working dogs who serve with honor, courage, and loyalty, protecting communities so that we may live in freedom and safety; and

**WHEREAS:** Police K-9s assist their handlers in critical missions including search and rescue, suspect apprehension, detection of narcotics and explosives, and community protection, often placing themselves in harm's way; and

**WHEREAS:** The bond between a K-9 and their handler represents trust, discipline, and devotion, reflecting the highest standards of service within law enforcement; and

**WHEREAS:** Many K-9s have powerful stories of resilience rescued from abuse, trained for service, and transformed into symbols of hope, protection, and purpose; and

**WHEREAS:** The service of Law Enforcement K-9s extends beyond duty, as they serve as ambassadors of compassion, education, and inspiration especially to children and families strengthening trust between law enforcement and the community; and

**WHEREAS:** The sacrifice of K-9s who have reached End of Watch deserves lasting recognition, gratitude, and remembrance for their faithful service; now

**THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 2026, as LAW ENFORCEMENT K-9 MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



*B.P.K.*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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