



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION WEEK

- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia is home to more than 88,000 individuals living in long-term care facilities; and
- WHEREAS:** Dedicated volunteers trained by the local Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs play a crucial role in ensuring those long-term care facility residents are treated with the dignity and respect they deserve; and
- WHEREAS:** These volunteers serve as independent advocates providing approximately 273 volunteer hours each year, working to resolve concerns, promote resident dignity, and ensure that the voices of long-term care residents are heard and respected; and
- WHEREAS:** Long-Term Care Ombudsman Volunteers generously dedicate their time, compassion, and expertise to support some of Georgia's most vulnerable citizens, often serving as trusted listeners and voices for residents who may otherwise go unheard; and
- WHEREAS:** The service and commitment of these volunteers enhance accountability, transparency, and quality within Georgia's long-term care system and reflect the highest ideals of civic engagement and public service; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 19-25, 2026, as LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 20th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

CHIEF OF STAFF