



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

MELANOMA AWARENESS MONTH

- WHEREAS:** Melanoma is the deadliest form of cancer most found on the skin, affecting individuals of every race, ethnicity, and sex across the state of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** Nearly 90% of cutaneous melanomas are related to excess ultraviolet (UV) exposure according to the United States Department of Health and Human Services; and
- WHEREAS:** Sun safe behaviors, such as avoiding the sun when ultraviolet exposure is highest, seeking shade, and wearing sun protective clothing and broad-spectrum sunscreen, reduce the harmful effects of ultraviolet exposure; and
- WHEREAS:** Melanoma of the skin is largely treatable when detected early, but many Georgians remain unaware of the signs and symptoms of this disease; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May, 2026, as MELANOMA AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 24th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

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