



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

NMOSD AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS: Neuromyelitis Optica Spectrum Disorder (NMOSD) is a rare autoimmune disease that affects an individual's spinal cord and optic nerves; and

WHEREAS: NMOSD occurs when the body's immune system attacks its own cells and may cause permanent disability, including blindness and paralysis; and

WHEREAS: Testing for NMOSD diagnosis can be extensive, often requiring physical examinations, laboratory tests, electrophysiology analysis, or imaging studies; and

WHEREAS: Despite advancements in research, treatments for NMOSD remain limited, and the disease is often misdiagnosed, which can lead to exacerbated NMOSD symptoms due to improper treatment; and

WHEREAS: This month, the state of Georgia joins dedicated individuals, advocates, and organizations across the state in raising awareness and understanding of NMOSD to promote research, improve patient care and outcomes, and ultimately find a cure; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March, 2026, as NMOSD AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed on this 16th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



B.P.K.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

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