



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### PRESCRIBED FIRE AWARENESS WEEK

- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Prescribed Burning Act of 1992 declares and protects prescribed burning as a valuable and necessary forest management tool; and
- WHEREAS:** Prescribed burning of Georgia's forestland is a valuable land management practice for protecting the forest from devastating wildfires and managing wildlife species; and
- WHEREAS:** Professional foresters and other land resource managers use prescribed burning for improving forest health, reducing hazardous forest fuels, and for reforestation; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Forestry Commission, partner agencies and organizations across the state support, promote, educate, and train for the continued use of prescribed burning for public benefit and safety; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia joins in thanking those land managers who protect and maintain Georgia's natural heritage for present and future generations; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 1-7, 2026, as PRESCRIBED FIRE AWARENESS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



*B. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Lauren M. Curry*

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