



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### THEATRE IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH

**WHEREAS:** The importance and the value of theatre education in the lives of students across the state of Georgia cannot be overstated. Preparing students for careers both inside and out of the arts and recognizing that the arts are essential and help to bolster the economy, and vitalize and connect communities; and

**WHEREAS:** Theatre programs across the state provide students with personal and professional opportunities for self-expression, creativity, and career exploration, all while enhancing students' self-confidence and ability to engage and empathize with the surrounding world; and

**WHEREAS:** Recognizing and supporting the important work of organizations like Georgia Thespians that help to support students by providing various educational, financial, and performance opportunities to students of every background; and

**WHEREAS:** Theatre educators, administrators, and parents have an immeasurable impact on the lives of their students and are champions on the front lines of theatre advocacy ensuring the arts continues to be a fundamental part of a student's education; and

**WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia recognizes and celebrates the invaluable work of theatre educators, students, and community members whose passions serve as safeguards to this art form. Their commitment to the arts has been, and will continue to be, felt for generations to come; now

**THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 2026, as THEATRE IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "B.P.K".

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lauren M. Curry".

CHIEF OF STAFF