



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### WOMEN VETERANS APPRECIATION DAY

- WHEREAS:** Women Veterans Appreciation Day is observed on June 12 in the United States, to commemorate the anniversary of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act, enacted on June 12th, 1948; and
- WHEREAS:** Women Veterans Appreciation Day educates the public of the service and sacrifice of women who served in the military and raises awareness about their contributions to the United States Armed Forces; and
- WHEREAS:** Since the Revolutionary War, women have served in every branch and component of the United States Armed Forces, including elite units and serving in combat; and
- WHEREAS:** According to The Department of Veterans Affairs, Women Veterans is the fastest growing demographic of Veterans in the United States; and
- WHEREAS:** Women Veterans are racially and ethnically diverse, with 43% of Women Veterans, who utilized VA Health Services belonged to a minority group; and
- WHEREAS:** Celebrating the achievements of Women Veterans honors the dedication of women who defy convention and break barriers, along with highlights their courage and resilience, which will inspire future generations of women to serve and lead in the military; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 12, 2026, as WOMEN VETERANS APPRECIATION DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



*B. P. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Lauren M. Curry*

CHIEF OF STAFF