BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

YOUTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP DAY

WHEREAS: Entrepreneurship education empowers young people to turn ideas into action, develop entrepreneurial mindsets and practical skills, and pursue opportunities in school, work, and their communities. It equips young people from diverse backgrounds with the tools, confidence, experiences, and relationships needed to launch businesses, pursue careers, solve challenges, and contribute meaningfully to their communities; and

WHEREAS: Alongside organizations from the Connecting Career and Entrepreneurship Opportunities Coalition and other partners across the country, interest in entrepreneurship education continues to grow as communities recognize its role in preparing young people for future success; and

WHEREAS: Research demonstrates that entrepreneurship education helps students develop critical thinking, problem solving, creativity, adaptability, communication, collaboration, leadership, and resilience skills that are essential in both higher education and the modern workforce. It also strengthens financial capability and expands pathways to economic opportunity and mobility while cultivating the next generation of entrepreneurs, innovators, business leaders, and changemakers; and

WHEREAS: Employers increasingly seek individuals who demonstrate initiative, innovation, flexibility, opportunity recognition, and a commitment to continuous learning, all of which are fostered through entrepreneurship education; and

WHEREAS: Students across the State Georgia benefit each year from entrepreneurship education programs delivered by NFTE, BUILD, and our partner organizations that connect classroom learning with real-world business and workforce experiences; and

WHEREAS: Youth Entrepreneurship Day highlights the importance of ensuring every young person has access to the knowledge, skills, experiences, mentorship, and support needed to pursue their aspirations and thrive in an ever-changing economy; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 19, 2026, as YOUTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP DAY in Georgia.

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

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFF