



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

SHINE A LIGHT ON SLAVERY DAY

- WHEREAS:** Human trafficking and child prostitution plague cities and states across our nation, constituting modern day slavery; and
- WHEREAS:** There are 1.5 million people in the United States who are victims of human trafficking, most of whom are children. 100,000 to 300,000 American children are at risk of becoming victims of sex trafficking each year; and
- WHEREAS:** Atlanta has one of the highest rates of human trafficking and child prostitution in the country. Over Super Bowl weekend, 169 human traffickers were arrested and eighteen survivors were freed, but there is still so much work to be done to take down this terrible industry; and
- WHEREAS:** The #ENDITMOVEMENT is a coalition of the leading organizations in the world fighting to end sex trafficking. On February 7, 2019, they are encouraging people far and wide to shine a light on slavery and raise awareness for the battle to end modern day slavery; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 7, 2019, as SHINE A LIGHT ON SLAVERY DAY in Georgia and encourage all Georgians to join me in the battle to eliminate sex trafficking in our state by drawing a red X on your hand and posting a picture or video to social media with #ENDITMOVEMENT.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 6th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Timothy K. Fleming

CHIEF OF STAFF