



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

AFTER-SCHOOL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AWARENESS WEEK

- WHEREAS:** Quality after-school programs provide challenging, engaging, and fun learning experiences that help children develop social, emotional, physical, and academic skills outside of traditional school hours; and
- WHEREAS:** More than 280,000 children participate in after-school programs in Georgia, and the state financially supports over 500 after-school and youth development programs; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia encourages the utilization of quality after-school programs to facilitate academic achievement, guide young people to make healthy choices, and help them develop the character and leadership skills necessary to realize their full potential; and
- WHEREAS:** After-school programs build stronger communities by involving students, parents, business leaders, and adult volunteers in the lives of young people; and
- WHEREAS:** Many children have working parents, and it is imperative that these young Georgians have access to safe, productive environments between the time they get out of school and the time their parents or guardians return home from work; and
- WHEREAS:** Recognizing the positive impacts of after-school programs to communities across our state will help to facilitate the continued growth and success of Georgia's youth in the years to come; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim August 26-30, 2019 as AFTER-SCHOOL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT 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 20th day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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