

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

ASIAN-PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS: Throughout our history, Asian-Pacific Americans have made significant contributions to the collective heritage and quality of life in the State of Georgia. The Peach State is fortunate to be home to over 300,000 citizens with Asian-Pacific American heritage. According to the U.S. Census, this community is one of the most diverse and fastest-growing groups in the United States; and

WHEREAS: Asian-Pacific Americans have contributed to all facets of life in Georgia, including arts, culture, heritage and history preservation, the sciences, government, business, education, and philanthropies; and

WHEREAS: Chinese Americans, Korean Americans, Vietnamese Americans, and many others all celebrate the Lunar New Year, an opportunity for renewal and new opportunities. This year's celebration marks the Year of the Pig; and

WHEREAS: During the observance of Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month, we celebrate the traditions, history, native languages, and unique experiences represented by Asian-Pacific Americans both across our country and right here in Georgia; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as ASIAN-PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 28th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.



