

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK

WHEREAS:	The more than 5,000 correctional officers in Georgia demonstrate profound commitment to their duties in state, county, and private institutions, as well as boot camps, transitional centers, and substance abuse treatment facilities; and
WHEREAS:	Correctional officers oversee inmates and enforce rules, regulations, and policies. Therefore, they are essential to ensuring the safety of prisons, inmates, staff, and the general public; and
WHEREAS:	Georgia's correctional officers play a vital role in the daily operations of the Georgia Department of Corrections and the entire criminal justice system. They maintain control of their facilities and provide offenders with opportunities to make positive changes and reclaim their lives; and
WHEREAS:	Through their continued efforts at the forefront of our criminal justice system, correctional officers have helped our state garner national attention as the leading state for criminal justice reform; and
WHEREAS:	The citizens of Georgia are incredibly grateful for the dedicated service of correctional officers; now
THEREFORE:	I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 5-11, 2019, as CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 25th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

