



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

GEORGIA DAMES DAY

- WHEREAS:** The Charter of The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia was granted on February 26, 1894, to petitioners of the membership as well as to the associates and successors of the private corporation in Savannah, Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** The business proposed in the Charter is to represent The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia. The goals of the Society are to collect manuscripts, traditions, and relics for preservation and for exhibition to commemorate the success of the American Revolution, to create interest in and inform people of American history, to inspire the young with the memory of their colonial ancestors, and to promote research into colonial history; and
- WHEREAS:** For 125 years, the membership of the Georgia Society has adhered to the mission set forth in the Charter of 1894; The Bylaws established Savannah, the oldest city in Georgia, as the headquarters of the Society; and
- WHEREAS:** The society is known today as The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia with membership in 17 Town Committees across Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** The membership of The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia has grown to approximately 1600 women, remaining strong as an ancestral society dedicated to honoring their ancestors and in service to their country, the State of Georgia, and their communities; and
- WHEREAS:** The 125th Anniversary of the Charter establishment is considered a celebration of those petitioners who founded the Georgia Society, promoting appreciation for the people, places, and events that led to the formation and development of our country. As the founders inspired many generations to follow in faithful service, The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia is charged to honor their mission as they are "Entrusted with History's Future" and remain committed to passing their legacy to future members; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 26, 2019, as GEORGIA DAMES DAY in Georgia and congratulate the society on their 125th anniversary.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 22nd day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.



B. Kemp
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Trinity K. Fleming
CHIEF OF STAFF