

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

INCLUSIVE EARLY LEARNING WEEK

WHEREAS:	Bright from the Start has designated the week of February 11-15, 2019 as Inclusive Early Learning Week; and
WHEREAS:	Georgia recognizes that each child is unique, learns differently, and, therefore, learns better if teaching is tailored to his/her abilities and interests; and
WHEREAS:	Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL) works diligently to ensure that Georgia's early education programs are characterized as high-quality, inclusive environments where all children can learn and grow as individuals; and
WHEREAS:	DECAL has partnered with local school systems in Georgia to create and support 167 inclusion classrooms in Georgia's Pre-K Program; and
WHEREAS:	DECAL has developed a variety of resources and a network of professionals within the agency that support teachers to meet the needs of every child in their care; and
WHEREAS:	DECAL's efforts have contributed significantly to the empowerment and capacity of programs, providers, families, and the community to support children with disabilities in high-quality inclusive environments in Georgia; now
THEREFORE:	I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 11-15, 2019, as INCLUSIVE EARLY LEARNING WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 8th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

