



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### MEN'S HEALTH MONTH

- WHEREAS:** Despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women, with Native American and African American men having the lowest life expectancy; and
- WHEREAS:** By educating health care providers and the public about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems, the State of Georgia can reduce the rates of mortality from certain diseases; and
- WHEREAS:** Proper education about the value of preventative health gives men the potential to prolong their lifespans; and
- WHEREAS:** Fathers who maintain healthy lifestyles serve as role models for their children, leading those children paths to have happier, healthier lives; and
- WHEREAS:** Men's Health Month is an opportunity to educate males of all ages about a broad range of men's health issues including heart disease, mental health, diabetes, and prostate, testicular, and colon cancer; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia encourages all men to maintain healthy lifestyles by exercising and taking part in medical checkups; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 2019 as MEN'S HEALTH MONTH in Georgia.

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



*B. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Timothy K. Fleming*

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