

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

## NATIONAL LETTER CARRIER FOOD DRIVE DAY

WHEREAS:	Each year on the second Saturday of May, letter carriers across the nation collect non-perishable food items for donation to local food banks as part of the country's largest one-day food drive; and
WHEREAS:	An estimated 12 percent of American households experience food insecurity at any given point throughout the year. In recognition of this issue, members of the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) began the "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive; and
WHEREAS:	Since 1993, the "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive has collected approximately 1.6 billion pounds of food and distributed the donations to over 10,000 cities and towns across all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Guam; and
WHEREAS:	This year marks the 27 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the NALC "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive, which will take place on May 11, 2019. Georgians are encouraged to participate by placing non-perishable food items next to their mailboxes on this day; and
WHEREAS:	Food insecurity is an important concern for our state and nation. On National Letter Carrier Food Drive Day, we acknowledge the commitment of letter carriers to their communities and join them in their efforts to alleviate hunger and help others; now
THEREFORE:	I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 12, 2019, as NATIONAL LETTER CARRIER FOOD DRIVE DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

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