BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

NEPHROLOGY NURSES WEEK

WHEREAS: Approximately 25 million Americans suffer from kidney disease, and Georgians of all ages are diagnosed with kidney disease each year; and

WHEREAS: Nephrology nurses utilize the nursing process to treat and care for patients who are either experiencing, or are at risk for, kidney disease; and

WHEREAS: Nephrology nurses function as educators, direct caregivers, and coordinators to help patients manage their health issues; and

WHEREAS: The American Nephrology Nurses Association works to advance quality care to Americans with kidney disease before they suffer complete organ failure, increase awareness in local communities, positively influence patient outcomes, and keep the nephrology specialty up-to-date with the latest treatments and kidney-related research; and

WHEREAS: More nephrology nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of patients; and

WHEREAS: Along with the Nephrology Nurses Association, the Dogwood Chapter of the American Nephrology Nurses Association will celebrate Nephrology Nurses Week to honor the selfless work that nephrology nurses perform day in and day out to maintain the health of thousands of individuals with kidney disease; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 8-14, 2019 as NEPHROLOGY NURSES WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 5th day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

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