BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

SCHOOL-BASED SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS WEEK

WHEREAS: School-based speech-language pathologists represent a community of thousands of professionals who dedicate their lives to helping children in need and providing support within schools across the state; and

WHEREAS: Speech-language pathologists are highly trained professionals who follow strict ethics policies and maintain certification by demonstrating active and ongoing professional development; and

WHEREAS: Speech-language pathologists work to prevent, assess, diagnose, and treat speech, language, social communication, cognitive-communication, and swallowing disorders. In filling this critical role, speech-language pathologists help students develop effective speaking and listening skills and provide the tools that are fundamental for success in personal, academic, and professional relationships; and

WHEREAS: Speech-language pathologists are crucial to each school’s special education team and are invaluable support resources for classroom teachers, guidance counselors, and parents; and

WHEREAS: School-based speech-language pathologists across our state have a lasting impact on future generations by providing exemplary speech-language services to local schools and catering to the individual needs of Georgia’s students across all levels of education; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 9-13, 2019 as SCHOOL-BASED SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 31st day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

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