

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

SOCIAL WORK MONTH

WHEREAS:	Social workers in the United States are professionals dedicated to enhancing well-being and helping meet the basic needs of all people, especially the most vulnerable in our society; and
WHEREAS:	This year's National Social Work Month theme, "Elevate Social Work," embodies the need to recognize the extraordinary contributions of the profession to our society; and
WHEREAS:	Social workers in Georgia continue to improve children's prospects for a better future by providing protection from abuse, neglect, and exploitation, working to expand foster care in areas where it is most needed, and helping parents provide needed financial and emotional support to their children; and
WHEREAS:	Social workers in Georgia are dedicated to helping seniors and adults with disabilities live safer, healthier, and more independent lives; and
WHEREAS:	Social workers in Georgia actively assist individuals and families from a condition of dependency to independence and self-sufficiency; and
WHEREAS:	The social work profession is deeply woven into our society, with social workers active in government, schools, universities, social service agencies, communities, corporations, the military, and in health care and mental health care settings; and
WHEREAS:	The demand for qualified and dedicated social workers in the fast-growing State of Georgia will become more intense in the years ahead, putting a premium on recruitment and training as well as greater awareness of this vitally important profession; now
THEREFORE:	I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 2019 as SOCIAL WORK MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 27th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

