BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

UTERINE FIBROID DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS: Uterine fibroids, non-cancerous tumors found in the uterus, are one of the most common diseases of the female reproductive system; and

WHEREAS: African American women are more likely to develop uterine fibroids and experience more severe symptoms than women of other races; and

WHEREAS: Many women delay diagnosis and treatment for uterine fibroids despite experiencing severe symptoms; and

WHEREAS: Many women undergo a hysterectomy as a treatment for uterine fibroids even though other options are now available to address the symptoms of uterine fibroids; and

WHEREAS: Uterine fibroids cost the United States tens of billions of dollars annually due to hospitalizations, surgeries, physician visits, and lost productivity and absenteeism; and

WHEREAS: Access to information and education is key to ensuring early diagnosis and proper treatment; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim July 2019 as UTERINE FIBROID DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 26th day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

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