



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION CONFLICT RESOLUTION DAY

WHEREAS: Conflict resolution, or alternative dispute resolution, encourages nonviolent dispute resolution outside of the courtroom. Conflict resolution encompasses mediation, arbitration, conciliation and other formal and informal responses to conflict; and

WHEREAS: Conflict resolution can be used to solve almost any type of dispute and is increasingly used in schools and communities to reduce violence and teach children and youth how to solve problems with others; and

WHEREAS: The conflict resolution process empowers individuals, organizations and families to foster communication and devise solutions that are tailored to their particular needs and interests; and

WHEREAS: The Association for Conflict Resolution, including its Georgia chapter, works to encourage the practice and understanding of conflict resolution and wants to promote awareness of conflict resolution methods and educate the public about the benefits of these methods; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia is pleased to recognize the practitioners of conflict resolution and encourage our citizens to fully utilize the practice; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the state of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 20, 2011, as CONFLICT RESOLUTION DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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CHIEF OF STAFF