BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

ALBANY-DOUGHERTY COUNTY DAY

WHEREAS: Albany was established as a center of trade in 1836 and today is the commercial, educational, cultural, and tourism hub of Southwest Georgia; and

WHEREAS: Albany-Dougherty County is known for Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany and global industries including Procter & Gamble, MillerCoors, Mars Wrigley Confectionary, Pfizer, Georgia-Pacific and Coats & Clark; innovative small businesses; a growing tourism industry; world-class health care; a unique natural landscape; and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS: The Albany-Dougherty County has suffered significant natural and economic impacts as a result of the federally-declared natural disasters of 2017 and 2018, but has demonstrated a unique resilience to rebuilding stronger; and

WHEREAS: The Albany Area Chamber of Commerce has, since 1910, represented and advanced the interests of the business community with distinction. The organization leads the efforts to create a business climate that is conducive to economic growth and prosperity, and in the aftermath of natural disasters, played a key role in supporting, protecting and enhancing the quality of life and commercial vitality of the Albany Area. The Chamber convenes the talents and resources of strategic and governmental partners for the benefit of the community and region; and

WHEREAS: Albany-Dougherty County and the Albany Area play an important and growing role in establishing and maintaining Georgia as the No. 1 state in the country for business. We celebrate the vitality of this city and region on our economy and its influence on the Peach State's cultural and natural landscape; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 20, 2019, as ALBANY-DOUGHERTY COUNTY DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 15th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

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GOVERNOR

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CHIEF OF STAFF