BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

WHEREAS: Emergency medical services are vital to communities. Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rates of individuals who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS: The emergency medical service system consists of emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, emergency physicians, nurses, firefighters, police officers, educators, and other out-of-hospital care providers. Whether professionals or volunteers, these individuals engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS: Emergency medical service teams stand ready to provide lifesaving treatment to those in need, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year; and

WHEREAS: Emergency medical services fill a gap in health care delivery by providing out-of-hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up treatments, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia recognizes the outstanding and courageous duties performed daily by emergency medical service to their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS: The theme for Emergency Medical Services Week 2019 is “EMS Strong, BEYOND THE CALL”; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 19-25, 2019, as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK in Georgia and join in recognizing all members of Georgia’s emergency medical service system.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 6th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

B.P.
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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