



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

FOSTER CARE MONTH

- WHEREAS:** Families are the primary source of love, identity, self-esteem, and support for children and youth, and they are the foundation of our communities; and
- WHEREAS:** Today, the State of Georgia is providing foster care for approximately 13,500 children, some of whom are placed in the homes of relatives; and
- WHEREAS:** Foster families across the state have opened their homes and extended love and security to these children and have supported their birth families in meeting the goals necessary to reunify parents and their children; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia has a need for more foster homes for children so they may have a safe, secure, and stable living environment. Foster families give of themselves to provide a loving home to children in need; and
- WHEREAS:** Numerous private and public social service agencies work to increase public awareness of the needs of foster children in Georgia and the role that we must play in addressing this community responsibility; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as FOSTER CARE MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 29th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Timothy K. Fleming

CHIEF OF STAFF