BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

GIRLS EMPOWERMENT DAY

WHEREAS: The first Girls Empowerment Day was February 20, 2017, and its purpose was to recognize and empower girls throughout the State of Georgia by ending violence against girls and women, preparing girls for success, and providing opportunity through education; and

WHEREAS: Around the world, 65 million girls are not in school, and 33 million fewer girls than boys attend primary school. Sadly, 17 million of these girls will never attend school in their lifetimes; and

WHEREAS: Statistics show that girls who get an education earn higher wages and support healthier, more prosperous families. The empowerment of and investment in girls are instrumental in promoting and protecting the future of women; and

WHEREAS: On Girls Empowerment Day, organizations like Trinity Girls Network and others across our state come together to celebrate and encourage young women to become the educated leaders of tomorrow; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 20, 2019, as GIRLS EMPOWERMENT 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