BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

PLAYGROUND SAFETY WEEK

WHEREAS: The safety and well-being of Georgia’s children is of critical importance on both the state and local levels, especially during the busy spring and summer seasons; and

WHEREAS: Every year, over 200,000 children in the United States are injured while playing at playgrounds, averaging one playground-related emergency room visit every 2.5 minutes; and

WHEREAS: As the warmer months approach and children spend more time outside at playgrounds, child care centers, schools, parks, and other public facilities, parents, guardians, caretakers, and supervisors are encouraged to take extra precautions to keep children safe and injury-free; and

WHEREAS: The National Program for Playground Safety works to reduce the amount of playground injuries by providing information on proper supervision, age-appropriate equipment, materials to soften falls, and equipment maintenance to keep children safe; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 22-26, 2019, as PLAYGROUND SAFETY WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 19th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.