



## STATE OF GEORGIA

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Nathan Deal  
GOVERNOR

A commendation recognizes an individual, organization, or specific event, and serves in the same way as a proclamation. It is in no way a lesser recognition from the Governor. It is merely a distinction between recognizing causes and individuals.

The following are guidelines the State of Georgia uses to issue commendations:

1. A Georgia resident must make the request at least 45 days in advance. In order for this request to be met within that time period, we must have **all** information provided for us.
2. **All commendations require a legislative referral.** We require this as a way of helping to keep legislators informed about special individuals, organizations, or specific events in their districts that may also merit their recognition. Please contact your local legislator (State Representative or State Senator) with the information in items three and four, and they will forward it onto us through their office. This will serve as a referral.
3. All requests should include your name, address and telephone number as well as background about your organization.
4. **Please send proposed text for your request, including four to six "Whereas" clauses if appropriate.**

Please have your local legislator direct this information to the proper liaison within the Governor's Office.



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Official Commendation Request Form**

Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* Please fill out this form and submit all commendation requests to your legislator. You may find your legislator at [http://openstates.org/find\\_your\\_legislator/](http://openstates.org/find_your_legislator/).**

**Group/Person Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Legislative Referral:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Person of Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Position/Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone (Work)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Cell)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**In the space on the next page, please provide 4-6 Whereas clauses exemplifying what this person or group has done for the State of Georgia:**

**EXAMPLE: Honoring Mr. John Doe on his retirement**

**WHEREAS:** Mr. John A. Doe is an exceptional citizen who has diligently served the State of Georgia throughout his career. Mr. Doe is retiring from Main Street Advertising in January, 2016, after 45 years of professional experience and extensive service for the state government and those in need throughout the Southeast; and

**WHEREAS:** Mr. Doe has devoted his time and talent to multiple establishments throughout the community, including the Main Street Academy and Main Street Community Center as a mentor to high school students, showing a true dedication to the children of his local area;

**WHEREAS:** Mr. Doe has acted as a champion for patients with life-threatening illnesses providing encouragement and assistance to those diagnosed with serious diseases. Through his charitable organization, Illness Prevention International, Doe raised funds for multiple hospitals in the Metro Atlanta area, especially focusing on patients experiencing severe financial burdens; and

**WHEREAS:** Mr. Doe sets a shining example as a citizen of Fulton County and Georgia, and it is an honor to recognize him for his efforts and contributions to our state; now

**THEREFORE:** I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby commend

**John A. Doe.**



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**WHEREAS:**