



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION ROTARY DAY

- WHEREAS: Rotary International is the world's first and one of the largest non-profit service organizations. The group funds club projects and sponsors volunteers with community expertise to provide medical supplies, healthcare, clean water, food production, job training and education to millions in need, particularly in developing countries; and
- WHEREAS: Founded on February 23, 1905 in Chicago, Illinois, today there are over 1.2 million Rotary club members comprised of professional and business leaders in over 33,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographic areas; and
- WHEREAS: The Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires members to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote goodwill and peace in the world; and
- WHEREAS: Rotary, to date, has contributed nearly \$1.2 billion and countless volunteer hours to the protection of more than two billion children in 125 countries. The organization is also the world's largest privately-funded source of international scholarships and promotes international understanding through scholarships, exchange programs and humanitarian grants; and
- WHEREAS: There are nearly 11,000 Rotarians in more than 200 clubs throughout Georgia sponsoring service projects to address such critical issues as poverty, health, hunger, illiteracy and the environment in their local communities and abroad; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 23, 2013, as ROTARY DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 4th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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CHIEF OF STAFF