



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

GEORGIA LIFE SCIENCES DAY

- WHEREAS:** Georgia is a center of global health innovation and home to the United States Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, Carter Center, Task Force for Global Health, CARE International, American Cancer Society, Arthritis Foundation, American Red Cross, and world-renowned research universities; and
- WHEREAS:** The life sciences industry encompasses any initiative aimed at improving the quality and standard of life from industry sectors, including biotechnology, medical devices, diagnostics, pharmaceuticals, digital health, research institutes, global health, bio-agriculture and biofuels, contract manufacturing organizations, and clinical research organizations; and
- WHEREAS:** The life sciences industry in Georgia is resilient and growing with 1,960 unique establishments that contributed over 68,300 direct jobs and \$10 billion to Georgia's gross domestic product, representing an almost 15 percent employment and 32 percent private sector establishment growth over the last decade; and
- WHEREAS:** Georgia's life science sector has more than 3,181 ongoing clinical trials and 437 patents granted in 2018, which is generating rapid innovation and growth of the life science startup ecosystem of emerging technologies; and
- WHEREAS:** Founded in 1989, Georgia Bio is a non-profit organization that promotes the interests and growth of the life sciences industry. Georgia BioEd Institute, a division of Georgia Bio, is committed to science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education, with a focus in biotechnology and medtech, through classroom-to-career initiatives that align with industry needs, an equipment depot, workforce training, and lifelong learning; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 25, 2020 as GEORGIA LIFE SCIENCES 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 January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty.



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GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Terry K. Fleming

CHIEF OF STAFF