



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

José Martí Day

- WHEREAS:** José Julián Martí Pérez was a Cuban patriot, poet, journalist, educator, philosopher, political theorist of international reputation, and avid advocate of human rights and freedom, who dedicated his life to creating a free and democratic Cuba through his writings and actions; and
- WHEREAS:** Martí gave his life in pursuit of this cause and to this day is celebrated by Cubans and others as a hero and icon embodying their quest for freedom; and
- WHEREAS:** The José Martí Historical Society was founded with the goal of carrying on Martí's legacy and recognizing his importance, especially to Cuban Americans, by donating a bust of his likeness to the City of Atlanta; and
- WHEREAS:** Atlanta is the home of a thriving Cuban American community that hold Martí's ideas of freedom and democracy to be true and worthy of pursuit; and
- WHEREAS:** We proud to stand with our Cuban American community that has contributed so much to Georgia and the U.S.; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 26, 2021 as José Martí Day in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 11th day of June in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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CHIEF OF STAFF