

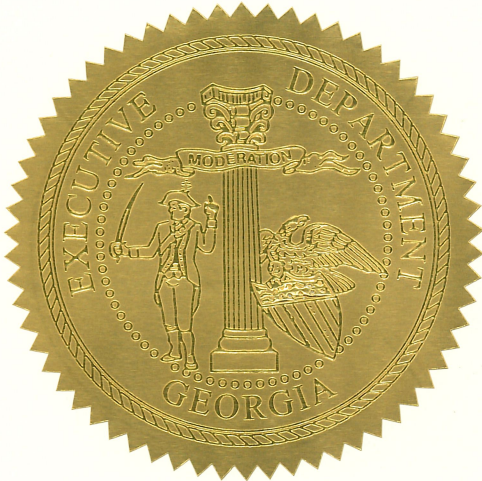
BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

KANNADA LANGUAGE AND RAJYOTHSAVA DAY

- WHEREAS:** Kannada is one of the longest surviving classical languages, with a rich literature and etymological formations unique to its language and inscriptions dating back to 450 BCE; and
- WHEREAS:** The Kannadiga community of Georgia is educating future generations in their language through three local schools in the greater Atlanta area and events organized by Nrupathunga Kannada Koota; and
- WHEREAS:** Kannada language has been recognized with the Biliteracy Seal Outreach in Heritage Languages from the Georgia Department of Education; and
- WHEREAS:** November 1st marks the forming of the State of Karnataka in South India by merging all the Kannada language-speaking regions; and
- WHEREAS:** The Kannadiga community of Georgia plays an important role in keeping the Indian heritage and culture intact, as well as enriching Georgia's cultural diversity; and
- WHEREAS:** Georgia's Kannadiga community has contributed to the state in the fields of medicine, engineering, research, law, language, culture, and tradition, as well as enriching Georgia's economy; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Kannadiga community will celebrate their rich culture and heritage throughout Kannada Language and Heritage Month with various literacy and cultural programs and competitions; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 1, 2021 as KANNADA LANGUAGE AND RAJYOTHSAVA DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 14th day of October in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



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