



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

TELUGU LANGUAGE AND HERITAGE DAY

- WHEREAS:** Telugu is one of the longest surviving classical languages; and
- WHEREAS:** Telugu has rich literature and etymological formations which are unique to its language, with inscriptions dating back to 400 BCE; and
- WHEREAS:** The Telugu community of Georgia is educating future generations in their language through various organizations and events; and
- WHEREAS:** April 12, 2021, marks the beginning of new year of Telugu people across the world following the lunar calendar; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Telugu-speaking community plays a pivotal role in keeping the Indian heritage and culture intact, as well as in enriching Georgia's cultural diversity; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Telugu-speaking community has been contributing to the state in the fields of medical and engineering research, politics, legal, language, culture, and tradition, along with economic welfare; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Telugu community celebrate their rich culture and heritage throughout Telugu Language and Heritage Month with various literacy programs such as Telugu language reading, singing, writing, poetry, and speech competitions; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim APRIL 12, 2021, as TELUGU LANGUAGE AND HERITAGE DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 26th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



B. Kemp
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Mandana Kipetovich
CHIEF OF STAFF