



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### 212TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF MEXICO

- WHEREAS:** Georgians join the Mexican-American community in celebrating Mexico's 212th anniversary of the proclamation of its independence on September 16th, 2022; and
- WHEREAS:** This year marks the 200th Anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Mexico and the United States of America, officially begun on December 12, 1822; and
- WHEREAS:** Georgia is home to more than 600,000 residents of Mexican ancestry who have enriched and contributed to the multifaceted fabric of our society while cultivating the collaborative relationship between the U.S. and Mexico; and
- WHEREAS:** Mexico and Georgia have shared official representation with each other for several decades, with Mexico's consular presence in Atlanta beginning in 1963 and Georgia's office in Mexico City in 1993; and
- WHEREAS:** Last year, trade between Mexico and Georgia totaled more than \$15.5 billion, and Mexico is now Georgia's second largest trade partner; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2022, as THE 212<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF MEXICO in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 1<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



*B. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Sharon K. Kiser*

CHIEF OF STAFF