



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK WEEK

- WHEREAS:** For decades, the Social Work Profession has been dedicated to improving human well-being and enhancing the basic needs of all people—especially the most vulnerable during the pandemic; and
- WHEREAS:** This year's Social Work Month theme, "The Time is Right for Social Work" embodies how social workers rose to meet the most pressing challenge of our lifetimes; and
- WHEREAS:** School Social Workers serve as vital members of the education team, playing a central role in creating a positive environment at schools; and
- WHEREAS:** School Social Workers are especially skilled in identifying and providing services to students who face serious challenges to school success, including poverty, disability, discrimination, abuse, addiction, bullying, loss of a loved one, and other barriers to learning; and
- WHEREAS:** School districts and local educational agencies can continue to work together with School Social Workers to address students' physical and mental health needs so that students may achieve academic success; and
- WHEREAS:** The 2022 National School Social Work Week theme, "Time to Shine", recognizes and celebrates the diverse roles that School Social Workers provide for students, families, and school communities, shining hope, understanding, and respect; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 6-12, 2022 as SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 7th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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