



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH

- WHEREAS:** Hunting and the shooting sports are part of the history, tradition, and culture of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** Increasing access to education and shooting sports provides opportunity to safely learn to shoot and to responsibly increase public participation in shooting sports and hunting; and
- WHEREAS:** Millions of Georgians, young and old, participate in hunting and shooting sports every year; and
- WHEREAS:** Sportsmen and hunters teach others to understand the responsibilities of owning and using a firearm, while also working to ensure that our natural resources are safeguarded; and
- WHEREAS:** This industry contributed as much as \$1.78 billion to the Georgia economy in 2021 and supported 9,045 jobs; and
- WHEREAS:** Georgia received more than \$35.5 million in funding for wildlife and conservation efforts through the Pittman-Robertson excise tax levied on firearms and ammunition in 2021; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim August 2022, as SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH 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>st</sup> day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



*B. P. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Mendon Kippenrich*

CHIEF OF STAFF