



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CONSTITUTION WEEK

- WHEREAS:** The Constitution of the United States of America, the guardian of our liberties, embodies the principles of limited government in a Republic dedicated to the rule of law; and
- WHEREAS:** On September 17, 2024, and the week following, we celebrate the 237th Anniversary of the 1787 Constitutional Convention; and at this convention, the world's oldest written constitution was drafted by the United States, thus outlining the fundamental principles by which our nation is governed; and
- WHEREAS:** Our Constitution established six basic governing principles for society. These include popular sovereignty, the rule of law, federalism, judicial review, individual rights, and separation of powers through a system of checks and balances; and
- WHEREAS:** The Constitution ensures the distribution of functions and responsibilities among three separate branches and a system of checks and balances to calibrate those powers, ultimately ensuring the protection of individual rights and liberties; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia was the fourth state in the Union to ratify the Constitution; and Georgia Delegates Abraham Baldwin and William Few signed the document on January 2, 1788; and
- WHEREAS:** Constitution Week provides an opportunity for all citizens to learn of Georgia's historic role during our nation's founding; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 17, 2024, as CONSTITUTION DAY and September 17-23, 2024, as CONSTITUTION WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 17th day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Laura M. Curry

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