



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

DENTAL HYGIENISTS' APPRECIATION DAY

- WHEREAS:** Dental hygienists, as licensed oral health care professionals, have been promoting oral health and preventing oral disease in Georgia for over 75 years; and
- WHEREAS:** As preventive specialists, dental hygienists contribute to the oral health of patients and provide an essential service to benefit citizens' overall well-being; and
- WHEREAS:** Regular preventive checkups and cleanings, brushing and flossing, eating a well-balanced diet, and monitoring gums for signs of gum disease are basic steps to ensuring good oral hygiene and care; and
- WHEREAS:** Dental Hygienists give their time and talent to provide oral health care services to individuals in need, including children, senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, and those in underserved communities; and
- WHEREAS:** These services are vital in dental offices, public health facilities, schools, long-term care settings, hospitals, private organizations, and research facilities for providing the best possible health care for all citizens; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 8, 2024, as DENTAL HYGIENISTS' DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 6th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Laura M. Curry

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