



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

SCN2A AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** SCN2A-related disorders are a leading single gene cause of childhood epilepsy, intellectual disability, and autism spectrum disorder; and
- WHEREAS:** In addition to seizures and autism, SCN2A-related disorders are also associated with a spectrum of symptoms ranging from severe, life threatening conditions to developmental delays. These include sleep disturbances, GI dysfunction, movement disorders, pain and dysautonomia; and
- WHEREAS:** SCN2A is a powerful research model that can lead to discoveries that treat ALL children with autism spectrum disorder; and
- WHEREAS:** SCN2A-related disorders frequently go undetected due to the lack of awareness about the syndrome, even within the medical community, due to the rarity of the disorder; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia is leading the way for SCN2A research, including the discovery of how the dysfunction of SCN2A results in autism spectrum disorder; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 24th, 2024, as SCN2A AWARENESS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 13th 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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