



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### WHITE CANE AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** The white cane, which every blind citizen of The State of Georgia has the right to carry, demonstrates and symbolizes the ability to achieve a full and independent life and the capacity to work productively in competitive employment; and
- WHEREAS:** State law requires motorists and cyclists exercise appropriate caution when approaching a blind person carrying a white cane; and
- WHEREAS:** Employers are encouraged to be aware of and utilize the employment skills of our blind citizens by recognizing their worth as individuals and their productive capacities; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia, with the National Federation of the Blind of Georgia, recognizes White Cane Awareness Day to bring attention to the positive contributions made by blind citizens in all facets of life and workplaces; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 15, 2024, as WHITE CANE 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 1<sup>st</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.



*B. P. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Lauren M. Curry*

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