



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CHRONIC DISEASE AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** Chronic disease affects thousands of individuals throughout Georgia and causes premature death in seven out of ten Americans; and
- WHEREAS:** Hundreds of thousands of Americans suffer from unpreventable and costly chronic and rare conditions, while the deadliest and costliest chronic diseases including cardiovascular issues, diabetes, some types of cancer, and obesity may be preventable; and
- WHEREAS:** Chronic disease often brings financial hardship, worry, and emotional distress to patients and their families. Coupled with public awareness, encouragement from others can lend hope and strength to those who are affected by chronic disease; and
- WHEREAS:** Chronic Disease Awareness Day promotes the best practices of self-care in efforts to reduce individual risk; and
- WHEREAS:** Widespread awareness of chronic disease, understanding of chronic disease prevention, and individual accountability are critical in the mission to improve the lives of individuals in the State of Georgia and beyond; and
- WHEREAS:** On Chronic Disease Awareness Day, organizations including Good Day, the Bone Marrow and Cancer Foundation, and the Chronic Disease Coalition broaden their efforts to heighten awareness of initiatives to prevent chronic disease; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim July 10, 2019 as CHRONIC DISEASE 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 26th day of June in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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