



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

- WHEREAS:** Around the world, Georgia shines as a beacon of opportunity for individuals from all walks of life. Our international recognition is a source of tremendous pride, but Georgia's greatest treasure is her people; and
- WHEREAS:** Certainly, no Georgian is more worthy of recognition and celebration than Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and
- WHEREAS:** As a man of great principle, Dr. King advocated peaceful social change throughout his life, and his legacy continues to inspire millions of people in the United States and living abroad; and
- WHEREAS:** In advancing his vision, King's devoted wife of fifteen years, Coretta Scott King, was an unwavering ally and dedicated to forging unity among all people; and
- WHEREAS:** To this day, Dr. King remains one of Georgia's most beloved leaders – a true American hero and transformational leader. Woven into our national fabric and faithfully promoted by Mrs. King, Dr. King's spirit will never be forgotten; and
- WHEREAS:** With Dr. King's statue on State Capitol grounds, we may all reflect upon his servant's heart and enduring message of hope. Because of Dr. King's leadership, our future is bright; and
- WHEREAS:** For three decades, our country has proudly honored Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s day of birth with a national day of remembrance; and
- WHEREAS:** To commemorate Dr. King, we pause to honor his memory and engage in acts of service across our state on Monday, January 21, 2019; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim January 21, 2019, as MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 16th day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.



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GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Teri L. Harris

CHIEF OF STAFF