BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH

WHEREAS: Addiction is a chronic, relapsing illness that involves a number of brain disorders where treatment has been scientifically proven to be the most effective intervention for dealing with this ailment. This illness affects Americans of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds and has enormous medical, societal, and economic costs; and

WHEREAS: Thousands of healthcare providers and other concerned individuals have dedicated their lives to prevention programs, recovery processes, and the education of policymakers and the public about the dangers of substance abuse; and

WHEREAS: Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month raises awareness for people who are currently attempting to overcome their substance abuse disorders through treatment, in addition to their families, friends, supporters, and treatment providers; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 2014 as ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICITON RECOVERY MONTH in Georgia and encourage all citizens to support those individuals who are in recovery as well as recognize the counseling and program staff who provide them with assistance and motivation along their journey.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 6th day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen.

Nathan Deal
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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