



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION CANCER REGISTRARS WEEK

WHEREAS: Cancer registrars are health care professionals who work closely with a health care team to meet the needs of patients through data collection and analysis. They evaluate the success of specific treatments and identify, plan, and implement cancer prevention and control activities; and

WHEREAS: Physicians use data, including patient demographics, anatomic cancer sites, stages of disease, treatments, and lifetime follow-ups collected by cancer registrars to monitor the treatment and continuing care of patients. This data is also useful to epidemiologists in monitoring the cancer burden throughout Georgia and the nation; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Tumor Registrars Association was organized in 1976 to establish standards of education for individuals involved in cancer data management and to standardize and improve the quality of cancer data collection; and

WHEREAS: The 2013 observance of National Cancer Registrars Week provides a unique opportunity for the citizens of the State of Georgia to recognize the contributions that professional cancer registrars make to the field of allied health; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim the week of April 8-12, 2013, as CANCER REGISTRARS WEEK in Georgia and encourage all Georgians to recognize the importance of cancer registrars to public health efforts throughout the state.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 22nd day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

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