



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

**A PROCLAMATION  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS  
MONTH IN GEORGIA**

WHEREAS: National Preparedness Month presents an opportunity for every Georgian to learn more about ways to prepare for all types of emergencies, from natural disasters to potential terrorist attacks to public health threats; and

WHEREAS: Emergency preparedness is a responsibility of every Georgian. All Georgians can take a few simple steps – staying informed about potential threats, making emergency plans, and building Ready kits – to help make citizen preparedness and personal responsibility a priority in every community; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, and officials in the federal, state, local, and private sectors are working to prevent and respond to all types of emergencies. These activities, along with a prepared and vigilant public, contribute to a level of state and national preparedness that is critical to security in our state and the homeland; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency maintains an ambitious and proactive Ready Georgia campaign to help Georgians become better prepared for emergencies; and

WHEREAS: As we observe National Preparedness Month, the State of Georgia urges households to follow this year's theme, "Don't Wait, Communicate. Make Your Emergency Plan Today," by creating a customized communications plan on the Ready Georgia website at [www.ready.ga.gov](http://www.ready.ga.gov); now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 2016 as NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH IN GEORGIA.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand sixteen.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Chris W. Riley*

CHIEF OF STAFF