



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION ASIAN-PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS: Throughout our history, Asian-Pacific Americans have made, great contributions to our collective heritage and have enriched the quality of life here in Georgia. They continue to make lasting impacts to this day; and

WHEREAS: Asian-Pacific Americans are productive and resourceful contributors to a multitude of industries and businesses throughout our nation's history. Laboring under very difficult conditions, the work of these individuals was crucial in mining, railroad work, and the assembly of our nation's infrastructure system. Today, they continue to contribute in business, job creation, academia, and public service. As Asian-Pacific Americans continue to be one of the fastest growing segments of America's population, they have demonstrated to be significant donors to the societal fabric of Georgia's population; and

WHEREAS: During the observance of Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month, we celebrate the cultural traditions, ancestry, native languages and unique experiences represented among ethnic groups from Asia and the Pacific found here in the United States. We also recognize millions of Asian-Pacific Americans whose hard work and love of family and community have helped unite us as a people and sustain us as a nation; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 2011 as ASIAN-PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

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