

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF ASSOCIATION **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GEORGIA**

WHEREAS:

Georgia's counties, as one of the closest levels of government to the people, partner with the Executive Branch of the state to ensure a high quality of life for all Georgia's citizens;

and

WHEREAS:

Counties serve as the administrative arm of state government; provide numerous services that protect the health, safety, and well-being of the people; and foster the growth of business opportunities throughout Georgia; and

WHEREAS:

Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) was founded in 1914 when county commissioners came together to support "the good roads movement" by committing county funds to improve state roads and by backing the creation of the state's first highway department; and

WHEREAS:

Over the past century, ACCG has served with integrity and distinction as the respected legislative advocate for, and voice of, Georgia's 159 counties. In this role, the association has provided credible leadership on numerous public policy issues facing the state and its citizens; and

WHEREAS:

During its 100 year history, ACCG has broadened its purpose beyond legislative advocacy to include leadership development; civic and community engagement; and member services such as insurance and retirement programs, facility and equipment financing, and volumepricing programs designed to meet specialized local government needs and save taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS:

2014 marks the centennial anniversary of the founding of ACCG. It is fitting that the accomplishments and rich history of this distinguished organization be recognized appropriately; now

THEREFORE:

I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 2014 as the celebration of the 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF ASSOCIATION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GEORGIA.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 2nd day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand

GOVERNOR

ATTEST