



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK

- WHEREAS: Poor air quality affects Georgia's environment, economy, and the health of its residents. While air pollution is a year-round concern, the summer months bring a higher incidence of days when ozone pollution and particulate matter levels pose health risks to Georgia citizens and the environment; and
- WHEREAS: Based on scientific and medical research, exposure to ground-level ozone and exhaust from vehicle tailpipes can create respiratory health challenges for Georgians young and old, affecting our enjoyment of the outdoors and our quality of life; and
- WHEREAS: Our state is making continual progress on improving air quality. This progress is confirmation that Georgia's air quality programs and partnerships with public, private, and non-profit entities are working; and
- WHEREAS: The Clean Air Campaign is advancing the promise of cleaner air through educational programs and through Georgia Commute Options, a partnership with the Georgia Department of Transportation and area transportation management agencies that educates Georgia employers, commuters, and schools about available commute option programs and other voluntary actions they can take that result in reduced traffic and improved air quality; and
- WHEREAS: Through their actions, Georgians are continuing to do their part to protect our environment, staying informed about our state's air quality issues and making small changes that result in an immediate, positive impact on the air we all breathe; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 28-May 2, 2014, as AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK in Georgia and encourage our citizens to educate themselves about air quality concerns and participate in the week's activities.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 19th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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