



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### CORPORATE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY WEEK

- WHEREAS: Many businesses in Georgia are embracing the "knowledge-based economy" and the business community is dependent on Intellectual Property, such as patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, and licensing agreements, to protect and generate profits from ideas, inventions and innovations; and
- WHEREAS: Georgia State University's Robinson College of Business and Law School and the Georgia Institute of Technology host the Corporate Intellectual Property Roundtable, composed of many corporations with offices in the state of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS: Georgia State University, the Georgia Institute of Technology, the Atlanta Bar Association, and the IP section of the State Bar of Georgia are hosting the Intellectual Property Legends Awards on October 20, and the Charitable Intellectual Property Golf Tournament to benefits the Georgia Lawyers for the Arts and other Georgia IP pro bono causes on October 26; and
- WHEREAS: Georgia State University houses a new Center for Intellectual Property to support business ventures, and is hosting the first ever Intellectual Property Career Showcase for college students with the Georgia Institute of Technology on October 21; and
- WHEREAS: Georgia State University's Robinson College of Business and Law School are hosting the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Corporate Intellectual Property Institute on October 27-28; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 25-31, 2015, as COPORATE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Chris W. Riley*

CHIEF OF STAFF