



## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

### A COMMENDATION

**WHEREAS:** Delta Air Lines operated its very first passenger flight on June 17, 1929. Eighty-five years later, the airline remains the premier transportation corporation in the world, operating nearly a thousand peak-day departures to more than 200 destinations from its headquarters hub in Atlanta; and

**WHEREAS:** Delta Air Lines began its first service from Atlanta on June 12, 1930, and relocated its headquarters there in 1941. For over seven decades, this renowned and valued company has called our capital city home; and

**WHEREAS:** Since moving its headquarters, Delta Air Lines has contributed extensively to the metro region and the State of Georgia. Delta and Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport generate \$33 billion in direct economic benefits to the city and state; and

**WHEREAS:** Delta Air Lines has distinguished itself as the largest private employer in the city and state with over 30,000 employees in Georgia. A constant friend to the people of our state, Delta has provided valued jobs in both stable and turbulent economic climates; and

**WHEREAS:** The proud histories of both Delta Air Lines and Georgia have been intrinsically linked for the better part of a century. The Delta Flight Museum celebrates this mutually beneficial relationship along with the impact Delta has had on our communities, state, and the world; now

**THEREFORE:** I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby join in celebrating the grand opening of the Delta Flight Museum by recognizing June 17, 2014, as

### DELTA AIR LINES DAY.



In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

*Nathan Deal*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST  
*Chris W. Riley*  
CHIEF OF STAFF