



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

PULMONARY HYPERTENSION AWARENESS

MONTH

WHEREAS: The health of Georgia's citizens is the foundation for a productive state. Our future well-being rests within our ability to adequately treat, and ultimately find cures for, individuals who are afflicted with a variety of illnesses, including Pulmonary Hypertension (PH); and

WHEREAS: PH is a rare disorder causing intolerable blood pressure levels in the arteries between the lungs and heart, and there are at least as many undiagnosed patients as diagnosed patients; and

WHEREAS: Without treatment, PH patients live an average of less than 3 years past diagnosis; but with early diagnosis and effective treatment, PH can be managed for more than twenty years; and

WHEREAS: Education, early diagnosis, and research funding can assist in finding a cure for PH; and

WHEREAS: Non-profit organizations like the Pulmonary Hypertension Association seeks ways to prevent and cure PH and to provide hope for the PH community through support, education, advocacy, and awareness; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 2015 as PULMONARY HYPERTENSION AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 22nd day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Chris W. Riley

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