

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM WEEK

WHEREAS: The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), funded by the U.S. Department

of Agriculture and administered in Georgia by the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL), provides nutritious meals to Georgia's children and youth during the summer months when school is not in

session; and

WHEREAS: Georgia's faith and community based organizations, local governments,

corporate entities, and schools partner with DECAL to ensure that children and youth have access to healthy meals in safe, supervised environments

during the summer; and

WHEREAS: Between 2010 and 2014, the SFSP served over 18 million meals at an

average of 1,400 sites throughout Georgia; and

WHEREAS: The nutritious meals provided through the SFSP to children and youth help

them continue to develop physically and mentally throughout the summer;

and

WHEREAS: DECAL is partnering with other state agencies and hunger-related

advocacy organizations to increase the number of SFSP providers, sites, counties, and meals served in 2015 so that more of Georgia's youngest

citizens may benefit from this important program; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim

June 1-5, 2015, as SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 21st day of May in the year of our

Lord two thousand fifteen.

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