



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### 2-1-1 DAY

- WHEREAS: Thousands of Georgia citizens require assistance to address everyday challenges, as well as problems that may develop in times of crisis; and
- WHEREAS: United Way of Greater Atlanta's 2-1-1 Contact Center was founded on June 12, 1997, and celebrates its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year; and
- WHEREAS: As the first center of its kind to provide a single access number for health and human services, 2-1-1 has connected more than 7.9 million individuals and families with the resources necessary to both recover and thrive; and
- WHEREAS: Each year, 2-1-1 serves more than 396,000 families and individuals. The contact center partners with local agencies and provides information to address local issues of high importance, such as health, education, income, and homelessness; and
- WHEREAS: United Way of Greater Atlanta's 2-1-1 Contact Center has paved the way for similar centers nationwide for the benefit of many Americans. 2-1-1 is nationally accredited by the Alliance of Information and Referral Systems, a distinction that demonstrates a high standard of excellence in the field of information and referrals; and
- WHEREAS: The process of connecting those living and working in Georgia with available resources has been simplified by the establishment of 2-1-1 in ten regions, supplying more than 80 percent of Georgians with easy access to service information in demanding or emergency situations; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 12, 2017, as 2-1-1 DAY in Georgia and join in recognizing the individuals and families who have found stability after a crisis or emergency.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Chris W. Riley*

CHIEF OF STAFF