



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### 4P-SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS: Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome, also known as 4p-syndrome, is a genetic disorder that affects many parts of the body, though most individuals with the condition share symptoms characterized by distinctive facial features. In addition, individuals with 4p-syndrome may experience delayed growth and development, intellectual disability, and seizures; and

WHEREAS: Children with 4p-syndrome are commonly born with low birth weight and develop slower, both cognitively and physically, compared to their peers. They may also experience many medical complications throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS: Dedicated professionals across the country are involved in valuable research to explore new therapies and diagnostic tools, and to offer hope to persons with 4p-syndrome; and

WHEREAS: Though many cases are undiagnosed, it is estimated that 4p-syndrome occurs in 1 out of every 50,000 live births. As such, it is imperative to increase public awareness and research of this syndrome in order to better advocate for effective diagnostic screenings and to support the development of improved therapies and other critical treatments; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 16, 2017, as 4P-SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Chris W. Riley*

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