



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

**A PROCLAMATION**  
**CHRONIC RECURRENT MULTIFOCAL**  
**OSTEOMYELITIS AWARENESS MONTH**

- WHEREAS: Chronic Recurrent Multifocal Osteomyelitis (CRMO) is a rare, non-infectious auto inflammatory disease that occurs primarily in children and adolescents; and
- WHEREAS: CRMO is a genetic disorder that affects one in 1 million females and one in 6 million males. More than 25 children in Georgia are affected by CRMO; and
- WHEREAS: Symptoms of CRMO include periodic and severe pain, joint swelling; fevers, and bone lesions. Those affected may frequently experience additional diagnoses such as failure to thrive due to CRMO; and
- WHEREAS: Treatment of CRMO may require frequent MRI scans and the use of anti-inflammatory drugs that may have harmful side effects; and
- WHEREAS: CRMO is often underdiagnosed or misdiagnosed. Increased awareness and understanding of the disease is critical to furthering research efforts and improving the quality of life of those affected; and
- WHEREAS: During CRMO Awareness Month, organizations such as Kaila's Komfort will host events and fundraisers to support CRMO patients and provide them with resources for treatment and recovery; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 2018 as CHRONIC RECURRENT MULTIFOCAL OSTEOMYELITIS 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 5<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.



*Nathan Deal*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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