



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

PLAYGROUND SAFETY WEEK

WHEREAS: The safety and well-being of Georgia's children is a top priority on both the state and local levels, especially during the busy spring and summer months; and

WHEREAS: Each year, more than 200,000 children in the United States are injured while playing at playgrounds, for an average of one playground-related emergency room visit every 2.5 minutes; and

WHEREAS: As the warmer months approach and children spend more time at playgrounds, child care centers, parks, and other public facilities, parents, guardians, and caretakers are encouraged to take extra precautions to keep children safe and injury-free; and

WHEREAS: The National Program for Playground Safety works to reduce the frequency of playground injuries by providing information on proper supervision, age-appropriate equipment, materials to soften falls to the surface, and equipment maintenance to keep children SAFE; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 23-27, 2018, as PLAYGROUND SAFETY WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 13th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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