



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

- WHEREAS: Marriage is a holy and sacred union between two people who promise to love, honor, and respect each other and to give themselves faithfully to each other for as long as they both shall live; and
- WHEREAS: Marriage is one of the most vital institutions in our society and serves as a foundation for stable and loving families, which are important in American life; and
- WHEREAS: Based on mutual commitment, marriage partners strive daily to strengthen and maintain their unity; and
- WHEREAS: Marriage creates a united entity out of what was once two separate lives, with dedication to one another fostering a bond strong enough to survive life's critical moments; and
- WHEREAS: Many Georgia citizens have benefited from their association with World Marriage Day in Georgia and will join couples from other states in observing February 11, 2018, as World Marriage Day; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 11, 2018, as WORLD MARRIAGE DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 22nd day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Chris W. Riley*

CHIEF OF STAFF