

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH IN GEORGIA

WHEREAS: National Preparedness Month creates an opportunity for every Georgian to learn more about ways to prepare for all types of emergencies, from potential terrorist attacks to natural disasters; and

WHEREAS: Emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every Georgian. All Georgians can take a few simple steps – creating a kit, making a plan and being informed – to help make citizen preparedness a priority in every community; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the Georgia Office of Homeland Security, Georgia Emergency Management Agency and officials in the federal, state, local and private sectors are working to prevent and respond to all types of emergencies. These activities, along with a vigilant public, contribute to a level of state and national preparedness that is critical to securing our state and the homeland; and

WHEREAS: As we observe “National Preparedness Month” I urge adults and children to participate in citizen preparedness activities and to review the Department of Homeland Security’s Ready campaign websites at www.ready.gov and www.listo.gov for more information; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 2005 as NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH IN GEORGIA and recognize the importance of preparing for all potential emergencies.

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