

# PROM AND GRADUATION SAFETY MONTH

WHEREAS: Hundreds of young people under the age of 21 were killed in alcohol-related automobile accidents in the United States in April and May of 2002; and

WHEREAS: The potential for young people to be involved in crashes caused by alcohol increases during the summer months, especially around the times when graduations and proms are celebrated; and

WHEREAS: A dedicated force of volunteers who are committed to fighting drunk driving and underage drinking has planned a series of initiatives aimed at educating students, parents, teachers and lawmakers throughout the month of May; and

WHEREAS: It is important to reduce the potential for alcohol-related deaths and injuries by providing young people and parents with information aimed at achieving this goal; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 2003 as GRADUATION SAFETY MONTH in Georgia.

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

