

PRE-K DAY

- WHEREAS: Georgia's Pre-K Program has provided services for the past decade to over 500,000 four-year-old children regardless of family income; and
- WHEREAS: Georgia's Pre-K Program has provided four-year-old children with the high-quality educational experiences necessary for future success by promoting the social, emotional, cognitive and physical development of children; and
- WHEREAS: Georgia's Pre-K Program is considered a model for the nation, serving over 65,000 children annually in all 159 counties in Georgia; and
- WHEREAS: Georgia's Pre-K Program is built on a foundation of a public-private partnership, offering services in elementary and secondary schools, private and state colleges, private non-profit and for-profit child care centers, Head Start sites, hospitals and military bases; and
- WHEREAS: We take this time to celebrate Georgia's Pre-K Program, and to recognize that children's opportunities are our responsibility and to recommit ourselves to ensuring that every child experiences an early environment that will promote early learning; now
- THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 25, 2003, as PRE-K DAY in Georgia and encourage our citizens to recognize and support the needs of young children in our state.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 25th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand three.

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