

GEORGIA WRITERS MONTH

WHEREAS: Georgia has a long and rich literary heritage, producing hundreds of writers who not only capture the essence of being a Georgian but who have also transcended the boundaries of Southern identity; and

WHEREAS: Georgia's authors have used their distinct Southern voices to craft poems, stories and essays that capture the lives of everyday Georgians during key events in Georgia's history; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Writers Hall of Fame was created to honor Georgia writers, past and present, whose bodies of work reflect the character of the state; and

WHEREAS: Georgia authors seek to increase our citizens' awareness of our state's history and culture through their work, and the Georgia Writers Hall of Fame, along with Writers Month, provides an opportunity to increase awareness of Georgia's rich literary history; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 2009, as WRITERS MONTH in Georgia and encourage our citizens to discover Georgia authors.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 29th day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand nine.