

PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS APPRECIATION DAY

WHEREAS: Of the many specialties in medicine, only family physicians, internists and pediatricians are considered primary care physicians; and

WHEREAS: Over 5,400 family physicians, internists and pediatricians work in Georgia providing primary medical care for all Georgians, from newborn babies to the elderly; and

WHEREAS: Physicians in these three specialties are committed to the attainment of optimal physical health, mental health, social health and well-being for all Georgians and serve as primary care physicians for Georgia's citizens; and

WHEREAS: Primary care physicians are thus vital to the healthcare infrastructure of the state and quality of life in our state; and

WHEREAS: Primary care physicians play uniquely important roles in keeping our citizens healthy and are dedicated to helping their patients and have advocated effectively for public policy measures that help sustain and improve the health of Georgia's citizens; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 10, 2005, as PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS' APPRECIATION DAY in Georgia.

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