

BIOMEDICAL/CLINICAL ENGINEERING RECOGNITION WEEK

WHEREAS: Medical technology advances occur daily, requiring qualified, professionally-trained personnel capable of understanding the complexity of medical equipment operation and application; and

WHEREAS: Quality health care is dependent upon sophisticated medical equipment, including pacemakers, patient monitors, defibrillators, EKG machines, diagnostic laboratory and X-ray equipment, life support and anesthesia systems, and the trained professionals who operate them; and

WHEREAS: Through their education, experience, competence and dedication, professionals in the biomedical/clinical engineering industry work with physicians, clinicians, administrators and other health care professionals to ensure access to needed information and tools; and

WHEREAS: Biomedical/clinical engineering professionals recommend, install, inspect, repair, calibrate and modify medical devices and critical life support systems as well as advise and train physicians, clinicians and others concerning the physiological principles and the practical, safe clinical application of medical devices; and

WHEREAS: Drawing on their education and professional experience, biomedical/clinical engineers work with our health care personnel to give Georgians quality health care utilizing advanced medical technology; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 5-11, 2003, as BIOMEDICAL/CLINICAL ENGINEERING RECOGNITION WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 17th day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand three.