

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT MONTH

WHEREAS: As the father of four children, I believe we have a duty to care for our children. Today, Georgia willingly helps children in need, including those whose parents are failing to meet their responsibilities. We must make every effort to place the financial responsibility where it rightly belongs -- on the parent who has been legally ordered to support his child.

WHEREAS: It is the responsibility of both parents to provide emotional and financial support to their children to help them grow into healthy, productive adults; and

WHEREAS: Georgia is committed to promoting the health and well-being of all of its children by ensuring that non-custodial parents pay all child support on a regular and timely basis as agreed between parents or ordered by the courts; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 3, 2003, as CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 13th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand three.

