

DRIVE SAFELY WORK WEEK

WHEREAS: Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of work related deaths, costing American employers \$61 billion annually, including nearly two billion dollars to Georgia employers; and

WHEREAS: Reducing the use of alcohol and drugs by drivers; informing the public about sharing the road with large commercial vehicles; encouraging patient, courteous driving behavior; and obeying road rules will reduce the number of deaths and injuries; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Network of Employers for Traffic Safety, under the Governor's Office of Highway Safety, is a public-private partnership that promotes highway safety in the workplace by educating employers on the risks of motor vehicle crashes and on workplace highway safety programs; and

WHEREAS: The Governor's Office of Highway Safety and the Network partners are committed to reducing workplace fatalities and injuries related to traffic crashes, thus helping make Georgia an even better and safer place to work, live and raise a family; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 6-10, 2003, as DRIVE SAFELY WORK WEEK in Georgia and encourage all Georgians to drive safely and adhere to all road safety precautions.

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