**WHEREAS:** Professional school nurses in Georgia are supported and represented statewide by the Georgia Association of School Nurses, which collaborates with the Georgia Partnership for School Health and local school systems; and

**WHEREAS:** Since 2000 The Georgia Association of School Nurses has provided orientation to 250 new school nurses at the annual state conference and provides continuing education to these nurses through the annual conference and district meetings held throughout the year; and

**WHEREAS:** The Georgia Association of School Nurses has worked with Children's Healthcare of Atlanta to provide a School Health Resource Manual to every public school in Georgia; and

**WHEREAS:** The members of the Georgia Association of School Nurses have worked in partnership with Georgia's educators and health care community to improve student health, thereby enhancing academic success and student achievement for the children of Georgia; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby commend

## GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL NURSES.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this seventh day of May, 2003.