

## **GEORGIA CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK**

WHEREAS: Georgia Correctional Officers demonstrate dedicated service in performing their duties in state, county and private institutions, as well as, boot camps, transitional centers, detention centers and diversion centers; and

WHEREAS: Georgia' Correctional Officers exemplify professionalism, skillfully manage offenders and maintain control, even at risk to personal safety; and

WHEREAS: The work of Georgia's Correctional Officers is an integral part of the daily operations of the Georgia Department of Corrections and the entire criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS: Correctional Officers help make Georgia's prison system a recognized leader among national penal institutions; and

WHEREAS: The citizens of Georgia are deeply grateful and appreciative for the dedicated service put forth by these men and women; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 5-11, 2003, as GEORGIA CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK in Georgia and call this observance to the attention of our citizens.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand three.

