

# KING DAY

WHEREAS: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a native son of Georgia, was a man of moral purpose and action who called upon his state, nation and region to live up to our central founding premise that all men are created equal and who devoted his life to the work of peaceful social change; and

WHEREAS: Dr. King believed that, "Everybody can be great because everybody can serve"; and

WHEREAS: In response to and celebration of his life, we remember and act on the message of Dr. King by participating in service projects in communities across Georgia on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday on January 20, 2003; and

WHEREAS: All Georgia citizens are encouraged to respond to the needs of their communities through activities such as tutoring children, feeding the hungry or cleaning up our environment; and

WHEREAS: Through efforts to enhance our communities and improve the quality of life for all Georgians, we further Dr. King's dream; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim January 20, 2003, as **KING DAY** in Georgia and encourage our citizens to participate in community service projects designed to improve the lives of our fellow citizens.

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