LOYALTY DAY

WHEREAS: As a salute to patriotism, which is the "unswerving devotion to the liberties

embodied in our Constitution," President Dwight D. Eisenhower in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-five, established May 1st as Loyalty

Day; and

WHEREAS: President Woodrow Wilson said, "Loyalty means nothing unless it has at its

heart the absolute principle of self-sacrifice;" and

WHEREAS: President George W. Bush has declared that "Loyalty Day provides an

opportunity to recognize those who demonstrate their commitment to our country through service and sacrifice, . . . for our military personnel, loyalty and dedication is a way of life. The men and women of our Armed Forces embody loyalty as they work to protect our ideals. Today, our military is again responding to the call of duty with courage and pride. These brave individuals who risk their lives fighting terror honor those who

have made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of the American people;" and

WHEREAS: It is fitting during this time of war that a special day be set aside for

solemn remembrance of the sacrifice of the men and women in our armed

forces; and

WHEREAS: The citizens of Georgia are seeking special ways to honor our service men

and women and their families with suitable ceremonies on the Saturdays before and after May in locations around the state and will call upon the

Lord's favor toward our sons and daughters on foreign soil; now

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

May 1, 2003, as LOYALTY DAY and call upon my fellow Georgians to join

their neighbors in taking part in this national observance.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this seventh day of April in the year of

our Lord two thousand three.

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