

UNITED NATIONS DAY

WHEREAS: The United Nations was founded on October 24, 1945 to improve our global community by strengthening the ties among member nations through improved communication, expanded understanding and enhanced security. On United Nations Day, we join the world in commemorating the founding of this important international organization and recognizing the profound impact it has had on our world and the role that it continues to play; and

WHEREAS: The United Nations Organization has grown to include 191 member states. Through its relief agencies, the U.N. aids and protects millions of refugees and displaced persons worldwide. The U.N. also seeks to improve living conditions around the globe by immunizing children, providing safe drinking water and fighting disease; and

WHEREAS: As our world faces new challenges and opportunities, the efforts of the United Nations take on a renewed significance. The United States recognizes the U.N. for its efforts to support and strengthen the international coalition against global terror. And we hope the United Nations will fulfill its role in addressing the threats posed to the civilized world; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 24, 2003, as UNITED NATIONS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 22nd day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand three.