

ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH

- WHEREAS: Substance abuse is a chronic public health problem that affects Americans of all ages, races and ethnic backgrounds. This troubling issue has enormous medical, societal and economic costs; and
- WHEREAS: Thousands of health care providers and other concerned individuals have dedicated their lives to prevention programs, recovery processes and the education of the public and policy makers about the dangers of substance abuse; and
- WHEREAS: This year's observance of September as Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month will help raise awareness of the effectiveness of treatment, prevention and education programs; and
- WHEREAS: I encourage citizens of the state of Georgia to support those individuals who are in recovery and to salute the counseling and program staff who provide them with assistance and motivation along their journey; now
- THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 2008 as ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 28th day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand eight.