BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

SCHOOL NURSE APPRECIATION DAY

WHEREAS: Children are the future, and by investing in their health and well-being, we can ensure a brighter and healthier world; and

WHEREAS: School nurses are professionals who advance the well-being, academic success, and life-long achievements of all students. They provide important services to communities and schools across our state, giving quality care on a daily basis to students in elementary, middle, and high schools; and

WHEREAS: School nurses act as a liaison to the school community, parents, and health care providers by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes. They conduct screening and immunization programs; follow up and determine reasons for absences; provide prescribed care for students with special needs; provide health education and counseling for students, staff, and families; care for students who become ill or injured; and compile statistics and records; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia is pleased to recognize the dedication and accomplishments of school nurses who improve the overall well-being of our children and understand the link between health and learning; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 8, 2013, as SCHOOL NURSE APPRECIATION DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 23rd day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen.

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GOVERNOR

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CHIEF OF STAFF