BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A COMMENDATION

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia and the nation of Israel have enjoyed a long and prosperous relationship, with Israel maintaining a consular presence in Georgia since 1956 and Georgia having representation in Israel since 1994; and

WHEREAS: This relationship has yielded both great cultural and economic benefits to both parties. In 2021 alone, Georgia exported over $280 million worth of goods to Israel and imported nearly $652 million worth of goods to the state from this valued partner and ally; and

WHEREAS: The friendship and shared values between Georgia and Israel have continued to grow in recent years, as both our cultural and economic bonds have strengthened through efforts such as the launch of the Georgia – Israel Legislative Caucus, the expansion of air service to include direct flights between Atlanta and Tel Aviv as of May 2023, and robust exchanges of Georgia’s law enforcement professionals with Israel through the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE); and


WHEREAS: The State of Georgia applauds the efforts of this group and wishes them Godspeed as they visit our close friend and ally Israel and reaffirms our support for the Jewish State; now

THEFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby commend

THE GEORGIA – ISRAEL RELATIONSHIP

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 10th day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

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CHIEF OF STAFF