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March 3, 2016

Chairman Rebecca Hood
P.O. Box 580
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Dear Chairman Rebecca Hood,

April is National Donate Life Month, an opportunity to share life-saving information about the need for organ and tissue donation in your community. LifeLink® of Georgia, the state's non-profit organ and tissue recovery organization, seeks a proclamation designating April as Donate Life Month in Gordon County, Georgia.

We would love to accept the proclamation in person, but in the event that is not possible, please remit it to the attention of Julette Taylor, LifeLink of Georgia, 2875 Northwoods Parkway, Norcross, Georgia, 30071.

In Georgia, over 5,590 people await a second chance at life. There are more than 121,000 men, women, and children in the United States on the organ transplant waiting list; twenty-two will die each day because a much needed organ does not become available in time. The need for organ donors is more critical than ever.

Through public education and efforts to increase organ donation such as this proclamation, thousands of lives can be saved and enhanced, lives like those whose stories are told in the enclosed LifeLink annual report/2016 calendar. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C.J. Jenkins", written over a light blue horizontal line.

C.J. Jenkins
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Enclosure: Proclamation



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National Donate Life Month Proclamation

Gordon County, GA, PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, one of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow upon another is the Gift of Life; and

WHEREAS, more than 121,000 men, women, and children await life-saving or life-enhancing organ transplants, of which over 5,590 reside in Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the need for organ, eye, and tissue donation grows daily as a new patient is added to the national waiting list for an organ transplant every 10 minutes; and

WHEREAS, the critical donor shortage remains a public health crisis as an average of 22 people die daily due to the lack of available organs; and

WHEREAS, organ, eye, and tissue donation can provide families the comfort of knowing the gift of donated organs and tissue endows another person with renewed hope for a healthy life; and

WHEREAS, donating life through organ, eye, and tissue donation is the ultimate act of generosity and kindness we **Gordon County** citizens can perform; and

WHEREAS, more than 4.7 million Georgians have already registered their decision to give the Gift of Life at www.donatelifegeorgia.org or when getting or renewing their driver license or state identification card at a driver license office; and

WHEREAS, LifeLink® of Georgia is the non-profit, community service organization dedicated to the recovery of high quality organs and tissues for transplantation therapy; and

WHEREAS, **Gordon County** supports the life-saving mission of LifeLink® of Georgia; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, _____, in **Gordon County**, do hereby proclaim April 2016 as

DONATE LIFE MONTH

In **Gordon County** to honor all those who made the decision to give the gift of life, to focus attention on the extreme need for organ, eye and tissue donation, to encourage all residents to take action and sign up on Georgia's Donor Registry at www.donatelifegeorgia.org, to discuss the miracle of transplantation as a family, and to make a family commitment to organ, eye, and tissue donation

On This day, _____ of April 2016



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