BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A COMMENDATION

WHEREAS: The great State of Georgia and its employers recognize the significant sacrifices and contributions the members of our Armed Forces have made, and continue to make, in the service of our nation and for the preservation of our freedoms and ideals; and

WHEREAS: Brave and dedicated Georgia veterans who have served with great honor and distinction are now returning home after more than a decade of defending this great nation. In the process of defending our country's ideals, these service men and women have gained valuable knowledge, training, and skills critical to the success of Georgia's businesses and industries; and

WHEREAS: Several businesses and corporations around our state have generously pledged to seek out these deserving service members for employment, utilizing their unique set and knowledge. These job creators have agreed to take full advantage of Operation: Workforce - an effort to match skilled and capable veterans with appropriate and fulfilling employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS: The businesses who have joined this pledge will provide increased occasions of interviews and enhanced hiring opportunities for veterans, which will not only benefit returning service men and women, but also our companies and state as they employ the most capable workforce in Georgia; and

WHEREAS: These corporations, organizations, and small business leaders are helping not only to strengthen Georgia's economy, but also giving back to the outstanding men and women who serve our nation. The conduct, contributions, and valor of these devoted members of the Armed Forces have rendered a debt that we will always honor and hold dear; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby commend the

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

for honoring Georgia's veterans by fulfilling this pledge.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 4th day of April, 2013.

Nathan Deal
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFF