## **PROCLAMATION**



## GEORGIA DAY FEBRUARY 12, 2020

**WHEREAS,** The State of Georgia was founded by General James Edward Oglethorpe on February 12, 1733; and

**WHEREAS,** George Walton, Button Gwinnett, and Lymon Hall each signed the Declaration of Independence on behalf of Georgia, which later became the fourth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution on January 2, 1788; and

**WHEREAS,** Since its founding 287 years ago, Georgia has grown to over 9 million people and has progressed from a rural state to a commercial, financial and cultural center for the Southeast region; and

**WHEREAS,** Georgia's magnificent natural beauty from the mountains to the seashore, its many historic wonders and sites, and its distinctive cultural heritage are all reasons to celebrate this great state.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** I, David Pennington, Mayor of the City of Dalton, hereby proclaim February 12, 2020 as "**GEORGIA DAY**" in the City of Dalton and call upon our citizens to celebrate our state's proud and rich heritage on its 287<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of this city to be affixed.

Mayor		_
Date	February 3, 2020	