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Brian P. Kemp
GOVERNOR

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To: Attendees of the 72nd Annual International Production and Processing Expo

GREETINGS:

I want to welcome you to Georgia. It is an honor to have you here for the 72nd Annual International Production & Processing Expo.

With over \$75 billion in annual economic impact, agribusiness is Georgia's leading industry. Our favorable climate and 9.3 million acres of operating farmland lend us an advantage, but it is our dedicated farmers and farm families who tend to this land each and every day, pouring their hard work into the produce that is featured on kitchen tables around the world.

In January 2019, my wife, Marty, proudly announced that our Governor's Mansion is "Georgia Grown." This pledge shows that Georgia's First Family stands with our farmers, the people who keep our state growing. We know that the poultry, meat, and feed industries are important to Georgia's success, and we are honored to have over 32,000 visitors and industry leaders from more than 130 countries gathered in our state's capital city.

Finally, I want to thank the U.S. Poultry & Egg Association, North American Meat Institute, and the American Feed Industry Association for making Georgia and the World Congress Center the destination for their annual tradeshow.

We hope that, through your travels, you will keep Georgia on your mind.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "B. Kemp".

Brian P. Kemp