THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: There have been various incidents where United States citizens and international travelers to the United States have either contracted or been exposed to the Ebola Virus Disease; and

WHEREAS: The Center for Disease Control (CDC) is located in Georgia and has been a lead federal agency in addressing any risk of the spread of the Ebola Virus Disease in the United States; and

WHEREAS: Georgia has a health care services infrastructure second to none in the United States and is in the forefront of exhibiting the capability for addressing any concerns over the treatment of individuals who have contracted or who have been exposed to the Ebola Virus Disease; and

WHEREAS: Given the heightened concerns over the potential spread of the Ebola Virus Disease in the United States and given the many capable entities and individuals in this State who can assist in addressing these concerns, there is a necessity to bring our most competent representatives together as an Ebola Response Team to review and assess the State of Georgia’s protocols, procedures and best practices in preparing for any potential spread of the Ebola Virus Disease; and

WHEREAS: The purpose of the Ebola Response Team is to ensure best preparations for any potential spread of the Ebola Virus Disease in our State. The team will be comprised of representatives from the following entities: Georgia Department of Public Health, Georgia Emergency Management Agency, Georgia National Guard, Emory University Hospital, University System of Georgia’s infectious disease experts, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, City of Atlanta and members of the nursing, rural hospital, EMT and education communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the Governor’s Ebola Response Team be assembled as follows:

- Brenda Fitzgerald, MD; Commissioner – Georgia Department of Public Health
• Charley English, Director – Georgia Emergency Management Agency
• Major General Jim Butterworth, Adjutant General – Georgia National Guard
• William Bornstein, MD, PhD; Chief Quality and Medical Officer – Emory Healthcare
• Susan Grant, MS, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN; Chief Nurse Executive – Emory Healthcare; Associate Dean – Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing
• Frederick Quinn, MS, PhD; Professor of Infectious Diseases – University of Georgia
• Miguel Southwell, General Manager – Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport
• Michael Geisler, Chief Operating Officer – City of Atlanta
• Scott Kroell, Chief Executive Officer/Administrator – Liberty Regional Medical Center
• Courtney Terwilliger, Chairman – Georgia Association of Emergency Medical Services
• Brenda Rowe, M.N., RN, JD; Associate Professor – Georgia Baptist College of Nursing, Mercer University
• Jody Barrow, Superintendent – Fayette County Schools; President - Georgia School Superintendent Association
• Doug Patten, MD; Chief Medical Officer - Georgia Hospital Association

**IT IS FURTHER**

**ORDERED:** That Dr. Brenda Fitzgerald be appointed as chair of the Ebola Response Team.

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**ORDERED:** That the Ebola Response Team shall meet and report periodically to the Governor on an as needed basis.

This 14th day of October, 2014.

\[Signature\]

**GOVERNOR**