



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A COMMENDATION

**WHEREAS:** The World Trade Center Governor's International Awards Gala is an opportunity to recognize Georgia companies, individuals and educational institutions that make significant contributions to the globalization of Georgia and to our economy; and

**WHEREAS:** Dr. Jagdish N. Sheth is the 2008 Governor's International Award recipient for the category of international community contribution. The international community contribution recipient is proudly honored for his efforts in developing international cultural awareness and the international business community of Georgia and in facilitating international investment and trade with and into our state, thereby driving economic development and employment in Georgia; and

**WHEREAS:** Dr. Sheth is the Charles H. Kellstadt Chair of Marketing in the Goizueta Business School at Emory University and is recognized internationally for his innovative approach to international market development. He serves on the Board of Directors of a number of public companies and many Georgia businesses and is actively involved as a member of numerous charitable and community leadership organizations; and

**WHEREAS:** Dr. Sheth founded the India, China and American Institute, a non-profit institute located in Decatur, Georgia that provides a sustainable, non-governmental platform to identify and drive synergies among India, China and America. Through the newsletter, seminars, conferences and research publications of the Institute, Dr. Sheth has established a global network which is being utilized to develop the international business potential of Georgia businesses and individuals; and

**WHEREAS:** In addition to Dr. Sheth's academics, research, teaching and consulting, he has made significant contributions to our community by his philanthropic efforts. Dr. Sheth's focus on developing the potential of Georgia business professionals and students and his sharing of his vision for innovative approaches to developing global peace and prosperity has made a significant contribution to the State of Georgia; now

**THEREFORE:** I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby commend

**JAGDISH N. SHETH.**

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008.



*Sonny Perdue*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Ed F. Holcombe*

CHIEF OF STAFF