



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, much of the talk around breast cancer focuses on early detection and routine diagnosis, where we have seen tremendous progress in the last 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Metastatic breast cancer patients continue to face many unique challenges, such as the emotional and physical demands of continual treatment; and

WHEREAS, this devastating stage of breast cancer occurs when cancer spreads beyond the breast to other parts of the body, including the bones, lungs, liver and brain; and

WHEREAS, currently no cure exists for metastatic breast cancer and many of those with metastatic breast cancer will continue treatment with the goal of extending the best quality life possible; and

WHEREAS, in Alabama, it is expected that 4,240 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in 2019; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, it is estimated that more than 690 women in Alabama will die of breast cancer, nearly all due to metastatic breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, Metastatic breast cancer cuts short the lives of too many people in Alabama, leaving a lasting effect on their families; and

WHEREAS, Alabama will continue to push for critical research and advanced treatments for metastatic breast cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 13, 2019, as

Metastatic Breast Cancer Action Day

in the state of Alabama.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 20th day of September 2019.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor