Proclamation
By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, more than 1.5 million Americans living with life-limiting illness, and their families, receive care annually from the nation’s hospice and palliative care programs in communities throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, hospice offers a distinctive way of caring for terminally ill patients and their families, enabling them to live comfortably and with dignity in their final days; and

WHEREAS, hospice and palliative care offer those they serve the high-quality care delivered by an interdisciplinary team of skilled professionals and trained volunteers that include physicians, nurses, social workers, therapists, counselors, health aides, spiritual care providers and more; and

WHEREAS, the hospice and palliative care philosophy places the needs of the individual at the center of care allowing patients and families or caregivers to focus on quality of life, surrounded and supported by family and loved ones, despite serious and life-limiting illness; and

WHEREAS, hospice and palliative care providers encourage individuals to learn more about options of care and to share their final wishes with family, loved ones, and their healthcare professionals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim November 2020, as

Hospice and Palliative Care Month

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 29th day of September 2020.

Kay Ivey, Governor