



# *Proclamation*

## *By the Governor of Alabama*

*WHEREAS, National Recovery Month is an international observance held every September to educate people about how substance use and mental health services can enable individuals and their families to live healthy and rewarding lives; and*

*WHEREAS, this observance celebrates the millions of people in recovery from mental health and substance issues, reminding us that behavioral health is an essential component to overall health; and*

*WHEREAS, treatment and recovery services for mental and substance use disorders and co-occurring disorders is effective, and people can and do recover in our area and around the nation; and*

*WHEREAS, addressing and overcoming mental and substance use disorders and co-occurring disorders is essential to achieving healthy lifestyles, both physically and emotionally; and*

*WHEREAS, we must encourage relatives and friends of people with mental and substance use disorders and co-occurring disorders to implement preventive measures, recognize the signs of a problem, and encourage those in need of help to seek appropriate treatment and recovery support services; and*

*WHEREAS, to help more people with lived experience achieve and sustain recovery, Faces and Voices of Recovery (FAVOR) invite all residents of Alabama to participate in National Recovery Month (Recovery Month);*

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

# *National Recovery 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor