



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, caregivers are considered the backbone of Alabama's long-term care system; and

WHEREAS, respite care is a short-term, temporary relief that can make a world of difference for family caregivers of both children and adults with disabilities or other health needs; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 1.8 million Alabamians are providing full-time care for a family member; and

WHEREAS, respite care is one of the most frequently requested home and community-based services, yet remains in critically short supply; and

WHEREAS, though respite care is a proven cost-effective solution that helps preserve families by reducing stress, supporting stability, preventing the incidence of abuse and neglect and relieving the physical, emotional and financial consequences for the family caregiver;

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

Respite Care Awareness 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 14th day of September 2020.*

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor