



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, trisomy is the presence within a person's cells of a single extra chromosome, yielding a total of three chromosomes instead of a pair; and

WHEREAS, as a type of aneuploidy, trisomy can occur with any of the 23 pairs of chromosomes individuals have; and

WHEREAS, the most common trisomies in newborns are trisomy 21 (Down syndrome), trisomy 18 (Edwards syndrome), and trisomy 13 (Patau syndrome); and

WHEREAS, local support groups, medical professionals and online communities offer education, encouragement and counseling for those managing trisomy pregnancies or raising trisomy-affected children; and

WHEREAS, now is the time for all Alabamians to educate themselves on all forms of trisomy, support families currently experiencing trisomy and participate in helping people with developmental disabilities achieve their full potential;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim March 2021, as

Trisomy 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 23rd day of February 2021.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor