



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Osteogenesis Imperfecta (OI) is a genetic disorder characterized by fragile bones that break easily; and

WHEREAS, also known as "brittle bone disease," this condition affects individuals throughout his or her entire lifetime; and

WHEREAS, there are different types of OI with a range of severity from mild to life threatening; and

WHEREAS, because there is no cure for OI, treatment focuses on minimizing fractures, the surgical correction of deformity, reducing bone fragility, maximizing mobility and independent function; and

WHEREAS, increased funding for education and research are needed to help find more effective treatments; and

WHEREAS, the Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation is declaring May 1-8, 2021 to be National OI Awareness Week and board members, staff, medical professionals and volunteers are joining together to focus attention on OI in an effort to increase awareness;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 1-8, 2021, as

National OI Awareness Week

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 16th day of April 2021.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor