



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week (NDAFW) gives students from around the country the opportunity to ask the questions about drugs, alcohol and drug use, including the effects, how to help friends or family who are abusing drugs and what causes addiction; and

WHEREAS, NDAFW is a week of educational events that annually brings together teens and scientific experts to counteract the myths about drugs and alcohol use and addiction that teens get from the internet, social media, television, movies, music or from friends; and

WHEREAS, the focus of National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week is to encourage educational events in communities nationwide and around the world so teens can learn what the science shows about drug use and addiction; and

WHEREAS, through National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week, teens can make good choices if they understand the challenges that alcohol and drugs pose; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Department of Mental Health has 22 certified prevention providers working with communities statewide to provide young people with the critical information they need to improve their health and avoid potentially devastating effects of alcohol and drug addiction; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Department of Mental Health prevention activities offered aligns with Center for Substance Abuse Prevention strategies including: Alternative, Community Based Process, Education, Environmental, Information Dissemination and Problem Identification and Referral. Through these strategies, many providers implement and participate in Prescription Drug Takeback events, Health Fairs, Media Campaigns, and various other national observance activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim March 21 through 27, 2022, as

Drug and Alcohol Facts 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 21st day of March 2022.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor