



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the need for safe blood and blood products for transfusions and other medical procedures remains high, with several instances of blood shortages occurring in the last year; and

WHEREAS, approximately 29,000 units of red blood cells are needed every day in the U.S.

WHEREAS, to ensure that everyone who needs a transfusion has access to safe blood, Alabama desperately needs voluntary, unpaid blood donors to give blood regularly; and

WHEREAS, supporting national blood transfusion services, blood donor organizations and other nongovernmental organizations in strengthening and expanding their voluntary blood donor programs is vital to the health and wellbeing of Alabamians; and

WHEREAS, each year, World Blood Donor Day is recognized across the country to bring awareness to this critical issue and signal support for blood donors and blood donor organizations; and

WHEREAS, for 2022, the World Blood Donor Day slogan will be "Donating blood is an act of solidarity. Join the effort and save lives";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim June 14, 2022,
as

World Blood Donor Day

in the state of Alabama and urge those who are able to donate blood.



*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 25th day of May 2022.*

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor