



# *Proclamation*

## *By the Governor of Alabama*

*WHEREAS*, October is well-known for Breast Cancer Awareness Month, but it is also recognized as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month. Many women throughout Alabama have had to suffer through the grief of pregnancy or infant loss; and

*WHEREAS*, in 1988, President Ronald Reagan pronounced that October 15<sup>th</sup> would be nationally recognized as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day, along with the month of October being recognized as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month; and

*WHEREAS*, the awareness ribbon colors of pastel pink and blue recognize the losses during and after pregnancy, stillbirth, miscarriage, neonatal death, infantile diseases and SIDS; and

*WHEREAS*, one in four women will lose a baby, whether during pregnancy, delivery or infancy. According to the Alabama Department of Health, there were an estimated total of 12,289 cases of fetal demise in Alabama in 2018; and

*WHEREAS*, during the month of October, people are encouraged to learn more about how pregnancy and infant loss can be prevented and how to support bereaved families when prevention is not possible;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 2022,  
as

# *Pregnancy and Infant Loss 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2022.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor