



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, our children are our most valuable resource and will shape the future of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, childhood trauma, including abuse and neglect, is a serious problem affecting every segment of our nation, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and

WHEREAS, childhood trauma can have long-term psychological, emotional and physical effects that have lasting consequences for victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, protective factors are conditions that reduce or eliminate risk and promote the social, emotional and developmental well-being of children; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention activities succeed because of the partnerships created between child welfare professionals, education, health, community- and faith-based organizations, businesses, law enforcement agencies and families; and

WHEREAS, communities must make every effort to promote programs and activities that build strong children and families; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that we must work together as a community to build awareness about child abuse and contribute to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families in a safe, stable and nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, prevention remains the best defense for our children and families;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 2023, as

National Child Abuse Prevention 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 20th day of April 2023.*

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor