



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, November is nationally recognized as Lung Cancer Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, Alabama ranks 38th in the nation for lung cancer cases; and

WHEREAS, cigarette smoking is the primary risk factor for lung cancer, which accounts for almost 80 percent of lung cancer cases and deaths;

WHEREAS, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, secondhand smoke, or involuntary exposure to tobacco smoke, is the third most common cause of lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Department of Public Health seeks to improve the lives of our citizens and encourage screening for lung cancer with annual low-dose computed tomography, testing and treatment of radon and reducing secondhand smoke exposure and youth initiation, while increasing cessation, thereby reducing the risk of smoking-related diseases; and

WHEREAS, health equity is essential for all Alabama citizens, and good health is necessary for the pursuit of happiness;

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

Lung Cancer 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 9th day of November 2023.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor