

## Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS there are over 700,000 family caregivers across Alabama who are helping their older parents, spouses and other loved ones live independently in their homes – where they want to be; and

WHEREAS Alabama's family caregivers are among 48 million nationwide who support a challenged long-term care system. The physical, financial and emotional toll on them is great. They help their loved ones with everything from managing medications and medical care, meal preparation and feeding, bathing and dressing, chores, finances, grocery shopping, transportation and more; and

WHEREAS many family caregivers work full or part time at paying jobs, and many cut back their hours or quit their jobs entirely to make sure their loved one gets the care they need. These dedicated family caregivers provide 660 million hours of care every year, providing up to \$8.3 billion in unpaid labor annually; and

WHEREAS family caregivers deserve our gratitude and are everyday heroes. Family caregivers help their older parents, spouses, siblings or grandparents live independently with dignity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama do herby proclaim November 2024 as

## Family Caregivers Month

in the state of Alabama.

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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 30<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024

Kay Ivey, Governor