



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, approximately 10,500, children under the age of 15 will be diagnosed with cancer in 2022 in the United States. After accidents, cancer is the second leading cause of death in children ages one to 14 years of age; and

WHEREAS, Charity INC Patricia Haley, Redstone Federal Credit Union CEO Joseph Newberry, Huntsville Hospital CEO Jeff Samz, Alabama A&M University President Dr. Daniel K. Wim's, the University of Alabama in Huntsville President Dr. Charles L. Karr and Huntsville Hospital COO Tracy Doughty will bring awareness to the struggle that children must fight against cancer and win; and

WHEREAS, there is hope for children, in that they respond to higher doses of treatment than adults, and utilizing these intense treatments gives children a better chance at recovering fully; and

WHEREAS, it is important that parents continue to be proactive with their children even after treatment to offer follow-up care, including regular check-ups and the development of good nutritional habits to ensure that children are given the best opportunities for long term survival; and

WHEREAS, there are many success stories of children that have survived and thrive because of the treatments that they have received. We extend our love to those parents who have lost children and for those that continue the fight against these dreaded diseases. We salute all medical staff that work with the parents and the children and continue to support all efforts to increase awareness, screening and research so that children in the state of Alabama can be saved in the future when each of us work together to promote public awareness and share more information on children's cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim December 7, 2024, as a

Children's Fighting Against Cancer to Win Day

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 18th day of November 2024.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor