



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, children are our future; and

WHEREAS, all children deserve the comfort and stability of a safe, loving and nurturing home with a family who empowers them to achieve their full potential; and

WHEREAS, unfortunately, more than 38,000 Alabama children were involved in suspected cases of abuse and neglect in 2024; and

WHEREAS, approximately 5,900 children are currently in Alabama's foster care system, many of whom are victims of abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, protecting children from the trauma of abuse and neglect requires vigilance and engagement from all community members, especially educators, child care providers, medical professionals, law enforcement officials and social workers; and

WHEREAS, Alabama's unceasing efforts to prevent maltreatment by supporting the families of at-risk children reflect the state's unwavering commitment to protect the vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, children across the state are safer thanks to a hardworking team of public and private partners, who are dedicated to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of young Alabamians;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 2025, as

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 10th day of April 2025.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor