

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, substance use disorders affect communities nationwide and in Alabama. With commitment and support, individuals can embark on a journey of improved health, overall wellness and recovery; and

WHEREAS, Recovery Month, celebrated in September since 1989, is a national observance to promote and support evidence-based prevention, treatment and recovery practices, the recovery community, as well as the dedication of service providers and communities who make recovery in all its forms possible; and

WHEREAS, in celebration of all individuals on the journey of recovery, we recommit each year to help prevent substance use disorder, support and provide people in recovery with the resources they need to live full and healthy lives; and

WHEREAS, substance use disorders affect individuals and families in our communities and state. More than 30,000 Alabamians received support for substance use disorders through the work of the Alabama Department of Mental Health (ADMH) and its providers in fiscal year 2024; and

WHEREAS, ADMH and its partners advance the importance of evidence-based recovery support within the community while promoting the right of self-determination and personal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the path to recovery can be long and challenging. To ensure all Alabamians are educated and informed of available services, ADMH and its providers share crucial resources for prevention, treatment and recovery; and

WHEREAS, we thank peer recovery support specialists, counselors, addiction specialists, first responders, family members and all who work tirelessly to help our fellow Alabamians recover from a substance use disorder; and

WHEREAS, through Recovery Month, people become more aware and able to recognize the signs of substance use disorders and help encourage their loved ones in need of recovery services. When individuals experience sustained recovery, Alabama becomes stronger and more resilient:

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

Recovery 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 19th day of September 2025.

Kay Ivey, Governor