



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, bullying is the aggressive use of power targeting another person or group of people with repeated, unwanted words or action, causing emotional, mental and/or physical harm; and

WHEREAS, various researchers have concluded that bullying is the most common form of violence, negatively affecting millions of American children and adolescents annually; and

WHEREAS, thousands of children and adolescents across Alabama suffer the effects of bullying annually; and

WHEREAS, targets of bullying are at increased risk for depression, anxiety, sleep difficulties, lower academic achievement and dropping out of school. Students who are repeatedly bullied often fear such activities as riding the bus, going to school, interacting online and attending community activities; and

WHEREAS, October is recognized across the United States of America as National Bullying Prevention Month to prevent and stop bullying and to encourage citizens to treat others with kindness, acceptance and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, Alabama schools, students, parents, recreation programs, religious institutions, businesses and community organizations are encouraged to engage in a variety of awareness and prevention activities designed to make our communities safer for all children and adolescents;

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

Bullying 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 8th day of October 2025.*

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor