



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS, Pulmonary Hypertension (PH) is a type of high blood pressure that affects the arteries in your lungs and the right side of your heart; and*

*WHEREAS, the health of our community's people is the foundation for a caring and productive society, and our future rests with our ability to adequately treat, and ultimately find cures for individuals who are afflicted with a variety of illnesses including Pulmonary Hypertension; and*

*WHEREAS, there are at least as many undiagnosed as diagnosed patients; and*

*WHEREAS, without treatment, PH patients live an average of 2.8 years past diagnosis; with early diagnosis and effective treatment, the disorder can be managed for twenty years or more; and*

*WHEREAS, education can help with early diagnosis and funding for research can help find a cure; and*

*WHEREAS, the Pulmonary Hypertension Association is a nonprofit organization that seeks ways to prevent and cure pulmonary hypertension, and to provide hope for the Pulmonary Hypertension community through support, education, advocacy, and awareness;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim November 2017, as*

# Pulmonary Hypertension Awareness 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 1st day of November 2017.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor