Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Schizoaffective Disorder is a chronic mental health condition characterized primarily by symptoms of schizophrenia, such as hallucinations or delusions, and symptoms of a mood disorder, such as mania and depression; and

WHEREAS, Schizoaffective Disorder is a lifelong disability, resulting in significant impairment of an individual’s ability to communicate, understand social interactions and develop appropriate interactive behaviors; and

WHEREAS, Schizoaffective Disorder affects not only the diagnosed individual, but the entire family and community at large; and

WHEREAS, while there is currently no identified cause or cure for Schizoaffective Disorder, there is hope for recovery through medication, outreach, training and consultation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 2018, as

Schizoaffective Disorder Awareness Month

in the State of Alabama and encourage all citizens to become educated about Schizoaffective Disorder, and support non-profit organizations such as NAMI who brings hope to all who struggle with this disorder.

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 October 2017.

Kay Ivey
Governor