



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS, Turner syndrome (TS) is a non-inheritable chromosomal disorder that affects one in 2,500 live female births; and*

*WHEREAS, earlier diagnosis will help these girls and women get a complete cardiac screening; and*

*WHEREAS, risk for acute aortic dissection is increased by more than 100-fold in young and middle-aged women with TS; and*

*WHEREAS, early diagnosis facilitates prevention or remediation of growth failure, hearing problems and learning difficulties; and*

*WHEREAS, individuals with TS have an increased risk of Non-verbal Learning Disorder(NLD) and in school and work, these impairments can cause problems in math, visuospatial skills, executive function skills and job retention; and*

*WHEREAS, a disproportionately small amount of funding is available for Turner syndrome research and support; and*

*WHEREAS, with the help of medical specialists and a good social support system, a woman with TS can live a happy, healthy life;*

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

## Turner syndrome Awareness Month

*in the State of Alabama and encourage all citizens to increase awareness, education and services for Turner syndrome which affects hundreds of female babies in Alabama annually.*



*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 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor