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 28th day of November 2017.

Kay Ivey
Governor