



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, National Home Visiting Week (NHVW) is an observance to celebrate and recognize home visitors and the positive impact they make on supporting child development, strengthening maternal and child health and nourishing family relationships; and

WHEREAS, the early childhood years are the most active period for the developing brain and a stable, secure relationship with a nurturing, caring adult is a key factor in the development of young children; and

WHEREAS, many parents begin the difficult lifetime job of raising a child feeling unprepared for the challenges ahead, and children have a better, healthier start when parents have the support and skills needed to raise them; and

WHEREAS, home visiting can include a variety of different programs and models, including early childhood home visiting programs and parenting education programs; and

WHEREAS, home visiting programs help parents meet the unique needs of their children, promote healthy development, strengthen family relationships, reduce the risk of abuse and neglect and promote equity by providing resources to families who are furthest from opportunity; and

WHEREAS, well-trained professionals implement early childhood home visitation so that all families have the opportunity to access information in ways that respect their unique beliefs, traditions and customs; and

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama urges individuals and organizations across our state to utilize home visiting resources as needed to support the health and wellbeing of our children and families:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 20 through 24 2026, as

National Home Visiting Week

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 16th day of April 2026.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor