

## **Proclamation**By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, hospice and palliative care empowers people to live as fully as possible surrounded and supported by family and loved ones, despite serious and life-threatening illness; and

WHEREAS, hospice and palliative care brings patients and caregivers the highest quality care delivered by an interdisciplinary team of skilled professionals that include physicians, nurses, social workers, chaplains, therapists, counselors, nurse assistants and others who make the wishes of each patient and family a priority; and

WHEREAS, through symptom control, pain management, caregiver training, and emotional and spiritual support, allowing patients to live fully and make more meaningful moments until the end surrounded by loved ones, friends and committed caregivers; and

WHEREAS, hospice and palliative care providers encourage all people to learn more about options of care, and to share their wishes with family, loved ones and their health professionals; and

WHEREAS, Journey Hospice has joined the Hospice Association of America, an estimated 3800 hospice providers, in declaring November 2018 as National Hospice and Palliative Care month and are calling on all Americans to observe this occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities;

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

## National Hospice and Palliative Care 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 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018.

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