



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the safety and security of the citizens of the state of Alabama are of utmost importance to the Governor's Office; and

WHEREAS, rapid control of bleeding at the scene of multiple casualty events such as mass shootings, terrorist attacks, earthquakes, multiple motor vehicle accidents, and/or industrial accidents can be life-saving. Up to 20 of trauma deaths could be prevented each year with effective bleeding control; and

WHEREAS, a person who is bleeding can die from blood loss within five minutes, and while emergency responders will arrive as quickly as possible, bystanders are always there first. Studies have shown that by learning bleeding control techniques, the public may become trained, equipped and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives; and

WHEREAS, the American College of Surgeons, FEMA and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security have partnered with Stop the Bleed Initiative to ensure that bystanders have skills and knowledge to provide immediate bleeding control to victims at the scene of an event;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 2019, as

Stop the Bleed 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 1st day May 2019.*

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor