

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, neuroendocrine tumors/tumours (NETs) often develop into cancer and, if left untreated, can result in serious illness and death; and

WHEREAS, all too often healthcare professionals underestimate the malignant and metastatic potential of neuroendocrine tumors/tumours; and

WHEREAS, cancer patients are often misdiagnosed or receive a delayed diagnosis, which can have a negative impact on their chance of survival and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, survival for NET cancer patients is further compromised by fragmented care and lack of access to treatment by networks of specialists; and

WHEREAS, although there have been advances in the detection and treatment of NET cancers, not all patients are benefiting quickly enough from scientific and medical progress in the field; and

WHEREAS, with timely diagnosis and proper treatment, NET cancer patients can have significantly improved outcomes and quality of life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim November 10th, 2019, as

NET Cancer Awareness Day

in the state of Alabama and encourage patients, caregivers, healthcare professionals, as well as the wider community, to join with us as we work together to raise awareness about NET cancers and the need for timely diagnosis and access to optimal treatment and care.

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 30th day of September 2019.

Kay Ivey, Governor