

## Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, there are many excellent abortion recovery programs in the United States and groups promoting abortion recovery awareness such as Abortion Recovery Alabama (ARA) and Abortion Recovery International (ARIN), which is the founding organization for "Abortion Recovery Awareness Month;" and

WHEREAS, abortion recovery programs offer invaluable services that help post-abortive women heal through individual counseling, support groups, encouragement and education; and

WHEREAS, the conclusion that there is a casual connection between abortion and negative problems and injuries is supported by three independent sources of evidences (1) the self-attribution of women themselves of their injuries, (2) mental health professionals who have successfully diagnosed and treated post-abortion reaction, and (3) statistically validated medical studies accounting for a large number of confounding factors which have been published in peer-reviewed journals, both nationally and internationally; and

WHEREAS, Norma McCorvey, who was the former "Roe" of Roe v. Wade, before her death stated she regretted her participation in that decision and greatly desired to protect women from the harm of abortion; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of "Abortion Recovery Awareness Month" is to encourage and promote healing opportunities and to enlighten society to the aftermath of abortion on individuals and families in the state of Alabama;

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

## Abortion Recovery 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 of April 2020.

Kay Ivey, Governor