

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, there are over 700,000 family caregivers across Alabama who are helping their older parents, spouses and other loved ones live independently in their homes; and

WHEREAS, Alabama's family caregivers are among 48 million nationwide who support a challenged long-term care system; and

WHEREAS, despite a heavy physical, financial and emotional toll on caregivers, they help their loved ones with everything from managing medications and medical care, meal preparation and feeding, bathing, dressing, chores, finances, grocery shopping, transportation and more; and

WHEREAS, many family caregivers work full or part time at paying jobs, and many cut back their hours or quit their jobs entirely to make sure their loved one gets the care they need; and

WHEREAS, dedicated family caregivers provide 660 million hours of care every year, providing up to \$8.3 billion in unpaid labor annually; and

WHEREAS, family caregivers deserve our gratitude and are everyday heroes; and

WHEREAS, family caregivers help their older parents, spouses, siblings or grandparents live independently with dignity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim November 2023, as

Family Caregivers 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 15th day of November 2023.

Kay Ivey, Governor