

## **Proclamation**

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, children can be born blind, and any individual can become blind. It is in the best interest of all people to become better aware of blindness and to understand the needs of the blind; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1940, the National Federation of the Blind of Alabama is a proud affiliate of the National Federation of the Blind (NFB), which is the largest organization for the blind in America; and

WHEREAS, the ultimate purpose of the NFB is the complete integration of the blind into society on a basis of equality, which involves the removal of legal, economic and social discrimination; and

WHEREAS, by educating the public on the challenges of blindness, we can continue to move in the direction of a more inclusive society; and

WHEREAS, March 8 through March 10, 2024, the National Federation of the Blind of Alabama is hosting its annual state convention, and it is fitting that our citizens extend a warm and friendly welcome to our visitors;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim March 8 through March 10, 2024, as

## National Federation of the Blind Week.

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 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

Kay Ivey, Governor