



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, September has been nationally recognized as Sepsis Awareness Month by Sepsis Alliance to bring awareness to sepsis, the body's life-threatening response to infection, which can lead to tissue damage, organ failure and death; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, sepsis affects 1.7 million Americans and takes 350,000 adult lives every year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, each year, more than 75,000 children in the United States develop severe sepsis and 6,800 of these children die; and

WHEREAS, communities that have historically lacked access to high-quality health experience a disproportionate burden of sepsis-related suffering; and

WHEREAS, sepsis is the number one cause of hospitalization in the United States, at \$62 billion annually and

WHEREAS, despite the severe danger and widespread occurrence of this illness, a survey conducted by Sepsis Alliance found that less than 15 percent of U.S. adults can identify the symptoms of sepsis; and

WHEREAS, awareness of the signs and symptoms of sepsis along with rapid diagnosis and treatment of sepsis can save lives and improve outcomes for sepsis survivors;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim September 2024, as

Sepsis Awareness 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 26th day of August 2024.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor