

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, approximately 115 people die every day from opioid-related drug overdoses; and

WHEREAS, the misuse and addiction to opioids is an epidemic affecting public health as well as social and economic welfare; and

WHEREAS, addiction is a treatable, yet severe health care problem. We must take steps to address the issue; and

WHEREAS, educating individuals on how substance abuse affects the community, including public safety officials, the local workforce, older adults and families is essential to combat misconceptions associated with addition; and

WHEREAS, an ongoing need for solutions to this widespread problem is crucial. Together, we can help those who are struggling with dependence and abuse;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 29, 2018, as

Silencing the Stigma Day

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 30th day of May 2018.

Kay Ivey, Governor