

PROCLAMATION

DONATE LIFE MONTH

WHEREAS, by becoming an organ, eye and tissue donor, one individual can save and heal the lives of more than seventy-five people; and

WHEREAS, during National Donate Life Month, we honor the compassion and generosity of registered donors, donor families and living donors, and recognize the commitment of medical professionals, researchers, innovators, champions, and national partners who work tirelessly to save and heal lives through donation and transplantation; and

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 Americans and 1,200 Alabamians are currently on the national transplant waiting list; and

WHEREAS, another person is added to the waiting list every eight minutes, and on average, thirteen people die each day while waiting for a life-saving organ transplant; and

WHEREAS, the most effective way to address this health crisis is to educate and to encourage citizens to commit to the following actions: register your decision to be an organ, eye and tissue donor at **legacyofhope.org** or at your local **DMV**, and learn more about living donation at **DonateLife.net**; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison feels that the Donate Life cause of saving and healing lives through organ, eye and tissue donation is of such immediate and worthwhile importance that

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Ranae Bartlett, Mayor of the City of Madison, Alabama do hereby proclaim the month of

APRIL 2026

as

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in the City of Madison, Alabama and encourage all residents to register their decision to be an organ, eye and tissue donor at legacyofhope.org or at our local Alabama DMV.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Madison, Alabama to be affixed, this 27th day of April, 2026.

Ranae Bartlett, Mayor