

ProclamationBy the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, in Alabama, there are over 5,000 computing jobs available today, and computer science will be one of the greatest job-growth fields in Alabama in the next decade; and

WHEREAS, due to a collaboration between the University of Alabama, Tuskegee University, and A+ College Ready, high-quality professional learning programs have prepared over 200 high school and 120 middle school teachers, and 1,300 K-5 teachers from other subjects, to deliver rigorous computer science instruction; and

WHEREAS, from this partnership, Alabama had the second largest growth in AP computer science exams across the country for May 2017 (per capita). Alabama also was ranked third for having the largest percentage of African American students (overall) and African American females who took the AP Computer Science Principles exam; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama devoted \$950,000 for computer science professional development for middle and high school teachers in the 2019 budget; and

WHEREAS, between the summer of 2017 and the summer of 2018, over 200 additional Alabama STEM teachers have been trained to provide rigorous middle and high school computer science instruction through courses such as CS Discoveries, Exploring Computer Science, and AP CS Principles; and

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama is working to develop a secondary certification pathway for computer science teachers to address the computer science teacher shortage;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim December 2nd through December 9th, 2018, as

Computer Science Professional Development 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 26th day of November 2018.

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