

## Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center has contributed numerous advancements to the world in rocket propulsion technology, vehicle design, and structural testing over the past six decades, including taking Americans to the Moon; and

WHEREAS, Marshall and Michoud Assembly Facility has partnered with thousands of suppliers across the country to build and test each element of the Space Launch System, with the Launch Vehicle Stage Adapter being the final piece of this hardware to depart Marshall in support of the Artemis I mission; and

WHEREAS, Marshall's Launch Vehicle Stage Adaptor Team, in tandem with Huntsville's own Teledyne Brown Engineering Team, within the SLS Spacecraft Payload Integration Element, have designed, produced, and outfitted this hardware for the first Artemis flight, representing a key structural element that demonstrates new innovations in the fields of friction-stir welding and vehicle design; and

WHEREAS, the flight of Artemis I will symbolize the many years of hard work by all SLS employees at Marshall, Michoud, and around the country, with launch day operations to include the Engineering Support Center team at Marshall under the direction of the SLS Chief Engineer; and

WHEREAS, Alabamians are exceedingly proud of the Space Launch System achievements of today, and the advances of tomorrow made possible by upcoming Artemis missions that will continue to demonstrate NASA's benefit to all humanity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim July 17, 2020, as

## Artemis 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 14th day of July 2020.

Kay Ivey, Governor