

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, there are nearly six million supermarket employees in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in Alabama there are 70,000 food retail jobs with over \$2.2 billion in annual wages paid; and

WHEREAS, grocers pay over \$1.2 billion in state taxes and have a total economic impact on the state's economy of over \$12 billion; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees provide Americans with access to safe, healthy and affordable food; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees work to enhance the health and well-being of each customer; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees contribute and volunteer countless hours in their communities; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees faced unprecedented challenges keeping grocery shelves stocked during the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees have and continue to meet and exceed these challenges, while displaying courage, compassion, dedication, and leadership, as well as exemplifying customer service and community outreach; and

WHEREAS, the need for supermarket employees is greater than ever because of current and growing consumer demands as well as their reputation for excellence;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim February 22, 2021, as

Supermarket Employee 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 22nd day of February 2021.

Kay Ivey, Governor