

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, meeting from June 11-15, 1821 Freemasons representing nine lodges assembled at Alabama's first state capital, Cahawba, to establish the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the delegates assembled included four future governors, nine members of the Alabama Legislature, and other men of influence; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of Alabama Freemasons have ably served our state as elected officials including twenty-six governors, not less that 11 United States Senators, and 34 members of the United States House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, over 300,000 Alabama Freemasons have applied themselves to the betterment of their communities since 1821 by devoting their time and resources to a myriad of civic, religious and educational endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the bicentennial of the formation of the Grand Lodge of Alabama is now recognized by the placing of an interpretive panel at the Old Cahawba Archeological Park; and

WHEREAS, June 12, 2021 will mark the 200th anniversary of the resolution establishing "a Grand Lodge of Master Masons for the State of Alabama" and the election of its first officers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim June 12, 2021, as

Alabama Masonic Bicentennial 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 28th day of May 2021.

Kay Ivey, Governor