

## Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Careers in Construction Month is a month designated annually to help increase public awareness of the opportunities available in construction; and

WHEREAS, during this month, employers, associations and schools are encouraged to conduct job fairs, panel discussions, and local community events to inform students of the vast employment opportunities in construction: and

WHEREAS, the construction industry is one of our nation's largest industries, employing more than 5 million individuals in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, the construction industry in Alabama is one of the cornerstones of its economic prosperity and its workers a vital part of its success; and

WHEREAS, through a collaborative effort that reaches policymakers as well as local educators and students, we can address the issues that contribute to the chronic labor shortages and common misconceptions surrounding construction related careers, to develop skilled and qualified workers for the future; and

WHEREAS, the promotion and statewide adoption of standardized and equivalent credentialing programs, including the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER), Home Builders Institute (HBI) and ICEV curriculums, provide employers with high-quality graduates and a ready to work workforce and

WHEREAS, the Home Builders Association and its 26 local associations across Alabama are dedicated to helping to expand the availability of trade education and creating a rewarding educational experience worthy of any profession and its workforce; and

WHEREAS, the young men and women of our great state deserve the opportunity to learn a trade and grow their career in state where quality craftsmanship is appreciated and rewarded;

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

## Careers in Construction Month

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 1st day of July 2021.

Kay Ivey, Governor