

## Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, pediatric brain cancer affects the families of more than 28,000 children every year and is the leading cause of cancer-related death among children and adolescents; and

WHEREAS, children who have been diagnosed with pediatric brain cancer require more difficult and unique treatments as compared to their adult counterparts; and

WHEREAS, there are few challenges for families as daunting as facing the overwhelming costs associated with their child's medical treatment; and

WHEREAS, Druids Charity Club is a non-profit group consisting of proud Alabamians who have awarded grants to Alabama families impacted by pediatric brain cancer; and

WHEREAS, these grants have assisted families with travel, lodging, household expenses and mortgage payments; and

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama is home to many nationally recognized BBQ establishments offering diverse styles, and Alabamians consider this a source of great pride; and

WHEREAS, The Hog Days of Summer BBQ and Americana Festival is in its 4th year of bringing people together to celebrate the tradition of Alabama BBQ and brings awareness to pediatric brain cancer; and

WHEREAS, Hog Days has grown in attendance each year and serves as the primary fundraising source for the grants distributed by the Druids Charity Club; and

WHEREAS, Druids encourages all Alabamians who love BBQ to attend the event to further the goals of assisting these Alabama families who face the challenges that come with pediatric brain cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim August 28, 2021, as

## Hog Day of Summer

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 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 2021.

Kay Ivey, Governor