



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, throughout history, Americans have lifted up fervent prayers to God on behalf of our nation; and

WHEREAS, from the first gatherings of our Founding Fathers, elected officials have prayed for those they serve and represent and have asked all to join them in prayer; and

WHEREAS, a National Day of Prayer has not only been a part of our heritage since it was declared by the First Continental Congress in 1775, but it is a public law established in the United States Congress in 1952, approved by a joint resolution and amended by U.S. Congress and President Ronald Reagan with public law 100-307 in 1988; and

WHEREAS, the president of the United States sets aside time to proclaim the first Thursday of May annually as a National Day of Prayer, affirming that is essential for us as a nation to pray; and

WHEREAS, in our state and across America, this year's National Day of Prayer will have the theme, "Pray Fervently in Righteousness and Avail Much," based on the bible verse James 5:16; and

WHEREAS, on every National Day of Prayer, we not only express our faith and exercise our freedom in prayer, but we unite our hearts and voices in personal prayer and public gatherings throughout our state and across America with fervent praise, repentance, love and humble intercession for our neighbors and nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2023, as a

Day of Prayer

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 April 2023.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor