Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, in 1947, the Truman Commission called for the establishment of a network of public community colleges that would serve their local areas with a comprehensive curriculum at little to no cost; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Community College System today is comprised of 24 community and technical colleges across Alabama with over 130 locations across the state and the Alabama Technology Network, which is focused on Alabama's manufacturers and providing extensive workforce training, technical assistance and engineering services to incumbent workers; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Alabama Community College System is to provide a unified system of institutions dedicated to excellence in delivering academic education, adult education and workforce development; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Community College System serves over 155,000 individuals through education and academic transfer courses, career technical programs, adult education services and non-credit workforce training leading to industry-certified credentials and certifications; and
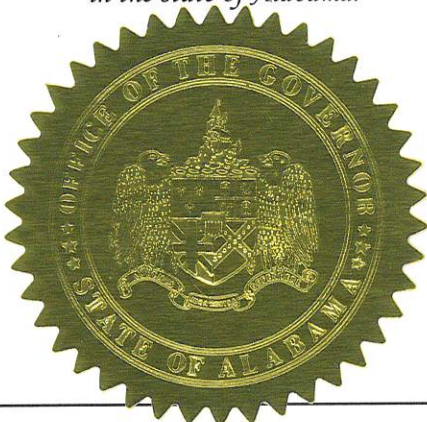
WHEREAS, Alabama's community and technical colleges provide world-class, accessible and affordable education and training for family-sustaining and life-fulfilling careers and are powerful engines of prosperity for their students, communities and the state at large, with a positive economic impact of $6.6 billion to the state of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Community College System is celebrating its 60th anniversary throughout 2023 and 2024 during the ACCS Diamond Jubilee to celebrate the system's past, as well as its future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 17, 2023 through December 31, 2023, as the

Alabama Community College System's 60th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee

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 12th day of April 2023.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor