

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Alabama joins the Mexican community in celebrating Mexico's 213th anniversary of its independence on September 16, 2023; and

WHEREAS, 2023 concludes the commemoration of the 200th anniversary of diplomatic relations established between Mexico and the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Alabama is home to more than 130,000 Mexican-Americans who have enriched and contributed to the multifaceted fabric of our society, while cultivating the collaborative relationship between the U.S. and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Mexico is one of Alabama's largest trade partners. In 2022, Alabama imported \$7.9 billion in products from Mexico and exported \$2.8 billion in products to Mexico; and

WHEREAS, trade with Mexico supports over 65,000 jobs in Alabama;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, proclaim September 16, 2023, as the

213th Anniversary of the Independence of Mexico

as Alabama joins Mexico in celebrating our partnership.



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 15th day of August 2023.

Kay Ivey, Governor