

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, February 3, 2025 will mark the 82nd anniversary of the sinking of the troop ship, the U.S. Army Dorchester, which carried to their deaths four Chaplains of three faiths who stood united in prayer as the ship went down; and

WHEREAS, these four Chaplains, Roman Catholic, Jewish and Protestant, gave their own lifejackets to four soldiers and sacrificed their own lives to save the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, as governor of Alabama, I am proud to give special recognition to the memory of those who sacrificed their lives for the cause of freedom; and

WHEREAS, the heroic deed of the four Chaplains and their combined act of supreme devotion and sacrifice for American liberty and human freedom will be an inspiring and ever shining example of real brotherhood for all time; and

WHEREAS, we must all see to it that their supreme sacrifice to the cause of human freedom and justice for all shall not have been made in vain;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim February 2, 2025, as

Four Chaplains Sunday

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 24th day of January 2025.

Kay Ivey, Governor

