

## Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama's law enforcement officials, security professionals and public safety officers are brave and dedicated individuals who protect our citizens, families, communities and homes across the state; and

WHEREAS, these individuals play a critical role in keeping our communities safe. Alabama's law enforcement officials, security professionals and public safety officers face immense challenges and make profound sacrifices to ensure the safety of all Alabamians and the visitors of our state; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) continues to record a decrease in fatalities on Alabama's roadways and waterways. In Fiscal Year 2024, ALEA documented 23 fewer lives lost compared to Fiscal Year 2023; and

WHEREAS, in Fiscal Year 2024, ALEA's Highway Patrol Division documented 23 fewer lives lost and ALEA's Marine Patrol Division three fewer lives lost in marine-related incidents; and

WHEREAS, ALEA's State Bureau of Investigation's (SBI) Narcotics Unit seized a total of 793,900 grams and 6,300 pills of illegal narcotics, equivalent to \$56,622,300 total street value; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Area Crime Suppression Unit, which is comprised of local, state and federal law enforcement, has served over 500 arrest warrants, which range from Failure to Appear for traffic offenses to Capital Murder and made 230 arrests on various charges; and

WHEREAS, Alabama continues to train and develop some of the nation's finest law enforcement officers and public safety officials. Due to their hard work and devotion, Alabama remains a safe and welcoming state to live, work and raise a family;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim February 13, 2025, as

## Alabama Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

in the state of Alabama and I urge all citizens to join us in recognizing our law enforcement officers that put their lives on the line to protect us each and every day.

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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 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

Kay Ivey, Governor