

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, parent leadership is an essential and effective means of strengthening families; and

WHEREAS, meaningful parent leadership occurs when parents gain the knowledge and skills necessary to function in meaningful leadership roles and present a "parent voice" to help shape the direction of their families, programs and communities; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Partnership for Children recognizes the vital importance of partnering with parents and assists public systems and private organizations, policymakers and other key stakeholders to effectively implement parent leadership strategies; and

WHEREAS, parent leadership is a necessary component in any effective, family strengthening and family support program; and

WHEREAS, parent leadership is successfully achieved when parents receive support and training and share responsibility, expertise and leadership in the planning, implementation, oversight and evaluation of policies, practices and programs that affect families and communities; and

WHEREAS, more parents each year are developing vital partnerships with service providers, policymakers and key stakeholders to shape policy and practice and build stronger, safer communities for children; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Partnership for Children established the state's Parent Leadership Network to help strengthen and enhance parent leadership in programs and policies that promote strong families; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Partnership for Children continues to promote parent leadership in its programs and policies that benefit families throughout the state, along with supporting public awareness, education and training within such programs; and

WHEREAS, National Parent Leadership Month recognizes, honors and celebrates parents for the vital leadership roles in their homes and communities and in local, state, national and international arenas;

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

Parent Leadership Month

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 13th day of February 2025.

Kay Ivey, Governor