

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, women own 14 million businesses in the United States, employ more than 12.2 million workers and generate more than \$2.7 trillion in revenue; and

WHEREAS, women-owned businesses make up 39.1 percent of all U.S. businesses – a 13.6 percent increase from 2019 to 2023; and

WHEREAS, between 2019 and 2023, women-owned businesses impacted the U.S. economy by adding 1.7 million firms, \$579.6 billion in revenue and 1.4 million jobs to the economy; and

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama has an estimated 180,234 women-owned businesses, employing over 131,000 people with a combined sales of \$29.2 billion; and

WHEREAS, Alabama ranks 10th in the nation for the percentage of women-owned businesses, with 40.6 percent of total businesses being women-owned; and

WHEREAS, Alabama women-owned businesses have a payroll impact totaling over \$5.1 billion to the state's economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim March 6, 2025 as

Alabama Women-Owned Business Day

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 6th day of March 2025.

Kay Ivey, Governor