

## Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the observance of Women Veterans Recognition Day is celebrated each year on June 12<sup>th</sup> in recognition of the anniversary of the 1948 Women's Armed Services Integration Act signing; and

WHEREAS, 2025 marks the  $77^{th}$  anniversary of this groundbreaking legislation for America's military women, granting them a permanent place and an opportunity for a career in the nation's military; and

WHEREAS the first Women Veterans Recognition Day was held on June 12, 2018, marking the 71st anniversary of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act, which was signed into law by President Harry S. Truman on June 12, 1948; and

WHEREAS, this historic law enabled women to serve as permanent, regular members of the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and the recently formed Space Force, thus paving the way for countless women to contribute significantly to our nation's defense and security; and

WHEREAS, recognizing Women Veterans Recognition Day acknowledges the courage, dedication and sacrifices of women veterans who have served in various capacities and often overcome significant challenges to protect and preserve the freedoms we enjoy; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to honor the legacy and service of women veterans and to inspire future generations to acknowledge and celebrate their role in our military history;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim June 12, 2025,

## Women Veterans Recognition 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 21st day of March 2024.

Kay Ivey, Governor