



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS, Child Care Aware® of America (CCAoA), the National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC), National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), National Head Start Association (NHSA), the National Indian Child Care Association (NICCA), Teachstone, the After School Alliance and other organizations nationwide are recognizing child care Providers on this day; and*

*WHEREAS, of the 20 million children under age five in the United States, nearly 11 million are in some form of child care setting; and*

*WHEREAS, by calling attention to the importance of high-quality child care services for all children and families within our state and community, these groups hope to improve the quality and availability of such services; and*

*WHEREAS, our future depends on the quality of the early childhood experiences provided to young children. Today, high quality early childcare services represent a worthy commitment to our future; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 10, 2019, as*

# Provider Appreciation 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019.*

*Kay Ivey*

*Kay Ivey, Governor*