Proclamation
By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Act 2019-306 established the Alabama Office of Apprenticeship as a division of the Alabama Department of Commerce, Workforce Development Division; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Alabama Office of Apprenticeship is to expand apprenticeships as a catalyst for providing career pathways leading to employment in occupations that pay a family-sustaining wage and produce economic growth for the State of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Alabama Office Of Apprenticeship will expand apprenticeships by building a collaborative environment between state agencies, workforce groups, business entities, and employee representatives; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Office of Apprenticeship will ensure the quality and effectiveness of apprenticeships to serve the needs of employers and employees; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Office of Apprenticeship is building an effective and efficient infrastructure to administer apprenticeship programs while maximizing the utilization of apprenticeship incentives and supports; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Office of Apprenticeship will increase the variety of apprenticeship models in Alabama to best meet the needs of businesses and jobseekers; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Office of Apprenticeship will increase the number of apprenticeship sponsors hosting registered-apprenticeship programs and the number of businesses employing apprentices;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim November 11-17, 2019, as

Apprenticeship Week

in the state of Alabama and further call upon all citizens to recognize the purpose and value of apprenticeship training to support education, economic expansion and workforce development 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 30th day of October 2019.

Kay Ivey, Governor