



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the economic and aesthetic welfare of the people of Alabama are largely dependent on the trees and forest lands of the state; and

WHEREAS, everyone in Alabama benefits either directly or indirectly from trees and forest lands; and

WHEREAS, trees provide jobs, products, habitat for wildlife, and recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, trees provide oxygen, help purify the air, play an important role in the water cycle, help neutralize waste water, and stabilize the soil; and

WHEREAS, trees are an invaluable physical and psychological addition to Alabama, provide shade, cool the air, and reduce noise levels and glare; and

WHEREAS, trees are an economic asset to Alabama, attract tourism, increase property values, and enhance shopping patterns; and

WHEREAS, the management of trees increases their benefit to our communities through planning, planting, maintenance, timely removal and replacement; and

WHEREAS, well-maintained trees benefit present and future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim February 23-29, as

Arbor Week

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 29th day of January 2020.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor