



# *Proclamation*

## *By the Governor of Alabama*

*WHEREAS, The Bernard Osher Foundation was founded in 1977 for the purpose of offering grants and endowment gifts to colleges, universities and other non-profit organizations in four program areas: post-secondary scholarships, lifelong learning institutes for seasoned adults, select integrative medicine programs and arts and educational organizations; and*

*WHEREAS, in the fall of 2000, the Foundation began to explore programs targeted toward more mature students not necessarily well served by standard continuing education curricula; and*

*WHEREAS, in early 2001, an endowment grant was given to the University of Southern Maine to improve and extend its excellent programs, and the name "Senior College" was changed to "Osher Lifelong Learning Institute"; and*

*WHEREAS, The Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes mission revolves around the idea that retirement-aged citizens are healthiest and happiest when they are actively engaged in their communities; and*

*WHEREAS, at present, the Foundation supports 124 lifelong learning programs on university and college campuses across the country, with at least one grantee in each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia;*

*WHEREAS, OLLI Members and Staff at The University of Alabama, The University of Alabama at Huntsville, and Auburn University have successfully adapted to the new ways of living and learning in 2020;*

*WHEREAS, OLLI Members at these three Alabama OLLI Programs are over 3,000 strong;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim August 20, 2020, as*

# *OLLI 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 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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*Kay Ivey, Governor*