Proclamation
By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Landmarks Foundation of Montgomery has advocated for historic preservation, architecture, and culture for over 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Preserving Alabama's music is part of our preserving Alabama's culture and Tavern Fest 2020 showcases Alabama's own, Wet Willie featuring Jimmy Hall; and

WHEREAS, formed in Mobile, Alabama, Wet Willie featuring Jimmy Hall is historically associated with the birth of the Southern rock era; and

WHEREAS, Lucas Tavern, being the oldest building in Montgomery, Alabama is the impetus of Tavern Fest 2020 and has been for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, with the Top 10 anthem "Keep on Smilin'" and the other Top 40 charters "Weekend" and "Street Corner Serenade," preserves Wet Willie featuring Jimmy Hall as one of Alabama's finest cultural group; and

WHEREAS, membership in both the Alabama Music Hall of Fame and Georgia Hall of Fame means Wet Willie featuring Jimmy Hall is recognized as a foundation of Southern music; and

WHEREAS, music is a lifeblood of Alabama's history and Landmarks Foundation of Montgomery is preserving it with Wet Willie featuring Jimmy Hall in Tavern Fest 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 24, 2020, as

Wet Willie 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 27th day of March 2020.

Kay Ivey, Governor