



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the Korean war began on June 25, 1950, when some 75,000 soldiers from the North Korean People's Army stormed across the 38th parallel, the boundary between the Soviet-backed Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the north and the pro-Western Republic of Korea to the south; and

WHEREAS, this act of aggression was the first military action of the Cold War, and by July of 1950, American troops had entered the war on South Korea's behalf in the attempt to stop the spread of international communism; and

WHEREAS, on July 27, 1953, the Korean Armistice Agreement ended more than 3 years of brutal fighting against communist expansionism and tyranny on the Korean Peninsula; and

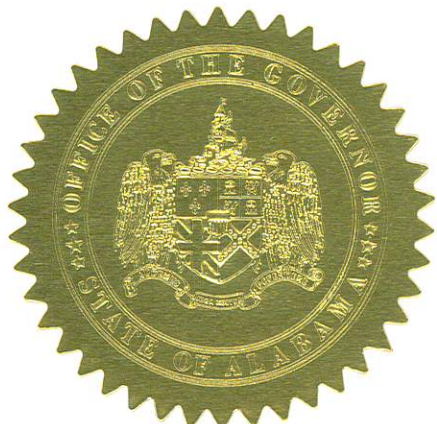
WHEREAS, more than six decades after the ceasefire on the Korean Peninsula, the Republic of Korea is flourishing as a prosperous and peace-loving democracy; and

WHEREAS, on National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, we honor the brave patriots who secured freedom and democracy in the Republic of Korea, and we pay tribute to the more than 23,600 Americans who were killed in action and the more than 103,000 who were wounded in that conflict;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim July 27, 2020, as

Korean War Veterans Armistice 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 20th day of July 2020.*

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor