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TO: All State Agencies
FROM: Governor Kay Ivey *Kay Ivey*
DATE: Thursday, December 17, 2020
RE: Flags Lowered Honoring Former State Rep. Richard Joel Laird Sr.

I am directing flags to be lowered to half-staff on the grounds of the Alabama State Capitol Complex in Montgomery and in Alabama House District 37 (Chambers, Cleburne and Randolph counties), to honor the longstanding service of former state Rep. Richard Joel Laird Sr., who passed away on Monday, December 14, 2020.

Rep. Laird served in the Alabama House of Representatives for 36 years from 1978 to 2014. Prior to becoming a representative, he served on the Roanoke City Council from 1972 to 1976. He was also a board member for the Randolph County Economic Development Authority, First Bank (for 46 years), and the Randolph County ALFA Division.

I offer my heartfelt condolences and prayers to his wife, Peggy, and their entire family, friends, and his beloved community.

The flags should be flown at half-staff for Rep. Laird's interment on today, December 17, 2020 until sunset.

KI/lj