TO: All State Agencies
FROM: Governor Kay Ivey
DATE: Wednesday, June 9, 2021
RE: Flags Lowered Honoring Former Gov. John M. Patterson

I am directing flags to be lowered to half-staff to honor former Gov. John M. Patterson, who passed away on Friday, June 4, 2021.

Gov. Patterson was elected as the forty-fourth governor of Alabama, serving from 1959 to 1963. Prior to being commander-in-chief, he served as Alabama’s thirty-sixth attorney general. He would later be appointed to the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals, where he served from 1984 until 1997. He was also a veteran of the U.S. Army, where he served during WWII and the Korean War.

I offer my sincere condolences and prayers to his wife, Tina, and their entire family.

The flags should be flown at half-staff for Gov. Patterson’s interment tomorrow, June 10, 2021 until sunset.

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