



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Alabama retailers sell the quality produce grown in Alabama and the world-class goods made in Alabama, as well as those produced and made throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Alabama retailers employ almost 400,000 of our great state's citizens, or one of every four Alabamians employed in the private sector; and

WHEREAS, payroll at Alabama's retail, food and drinking establishments exceeds \$9.6 billion; and

WHEREAS, Alabama is home to national retailers, like Birmingham-based Books-A-Million, as well as many local retailers, like Bromberg & Co., the nation's oldest family-owned retailer; and

WHEREAS, our state includes many outstanding retailers, including the 2021 Alabama Retailers of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Alabama retailers each year collect \$3 billion in sales taxes on behalf of Alabama's state government; and

WHEREAS, Alabama's retailers also supply vital income and property taxes to the state of Alabama, supporting this state as its economic backbone;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 19, 2021, as

Alabama Retail 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 19th day of October 2021.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor