



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama is home to diverse communities and has been for many generations;
and

WHEREAS, Alabama's Asian population has increased since the 2010 Census; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Senate passed S.R. 185 in 2002, recognizing the 100th anniversary of Korean immigration to the United States; and

WHEREAS, following S.R. 185, President George W. Bush issued a proclamation recognizing January 13, 2003, as the Centennial of Korean Immigration to the United States; and

WHEREAS, Korean American Day commemorates the arrival of the first Korean immigrants to the United States on January 13, 1903 and honors the contributions of the Korean American community; and

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama holds dear its relationship with the Republic of Korea with over 100 Korean companies operating in Alabama, the state welcomes future Korean corporations that seek to develop an economic partnership with Alabama; and

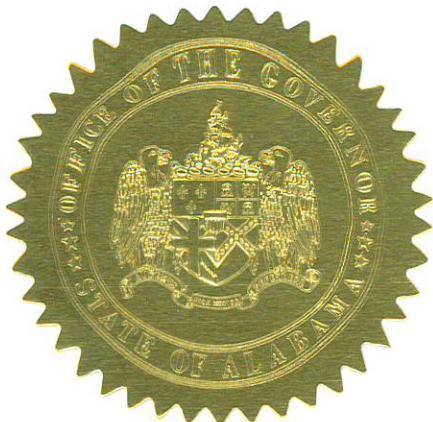
WHEREAS, because of this blossoming economic relationship and the resulting increase in Korean families relocating to the state, Alabama enjoys a vibrant Korean and Korean American population of more than 13,000, in addition to small businesses, churches and other Korean organizations; and

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama, through its Governor's Office of Minority Affairs, seeks to ensure the inclusion of its increasing Korean communities in the success and prosperity of the state by working with organizations such as the Korean-American Association of Alabama, which provides a platform to share Korean culture and strengthen the relationship between the Korean American community and other communities in Alabama through its community outreach programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim January 13, 2022, as

Korean American 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 12th day of January 2022.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor