Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama stands in solidarity with the people of Ukraine as they fight to protect their country and democracy; and

WHEREAS, Alabamians are deeply rooted in their faith, and as many Christians observe Ash Wednesday, we join together in prayer for the innocent people of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2022, the Russian Federation launched a brutal, unprovoked full-scale invasion of Ukraine, which has since been condemned throughout the world by numerous international stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, this inexcusable power grab by the Russian Federation has resulted in the deaths of hundreds of innocent civilians, destruction of essential infrastructure and poses a great threat to democracy; and

WHEREAS, many of the essential munitions that are being used by Ukrainian forces, such as the Javelin Missile System, are proudly manufactured in the state of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Alabama strongly condemns the acts of aggression by the Russian Federation; and

WHEREAS, today, and everyday until the Russian Federation withdraws its forces, our people will continue to uplift Ukraine in prayer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim March 2, 2022, as a

Day of Prayer for Ukraine

in the state of Alabama and urge our citizens to pray for peace in Ukraine.

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 1st day of March 2022.

Kay Ivey, Governor