



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, January is known as National Mentoring Month, an annual campaign to recruit quality mentors to provide additional networks of support for young people; and

WHEREAS, Alabama recognizes the contributions of volunteer mentors, who guide young people to success in their education, career and well-being; and

WHEREAS, mentoring programs like Big Brothers Big Sisters of Alabama make our state and communities stronger by enabling impactful relationships that increase social capital for young people and provide invaluable support networks; and

WHEREAS, mentors can help young people explore careers and build skills to achieve higher lifetime economic outcomes through activities like helping them set career goals, write a resume, practice for an interview, connecting them to opportunities, among others; and

WHEREAS, research has demonstrated that mentoring programs have a significant, positive impact on a variety of academic achievement measures. This includes truancy and absenteeism, scholastic efficacy and engagement, school-related misconduct and peer support; and

WHEREAS, National Mentoring Month is the time of year to celebrate, elevate and encourage mentoring across our state and recruit caring adult mentors in Alabama;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim January 2023,
as

National Mentoring Month

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 15th day of December 2022.*

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor