



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the United States has over 844,000 amateur radio operators; and

WHEREAS, Alabama is home to over 13,500 licensed amateur radio operators who repeatedly demonstrate their immense value to the citizens of this state by providing emergency communications during disasters; and

WHEREAS, Auxiliary Communications (AUXCOMM) is recognized as an official part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Critical Infrastructure Security Agency's (CISA) Communication Unit; and

WHEREAS, Alabama AUXCOMM is a vital part of the Alabama Emergency Management Agency's (AEMA) Strategic Technology Reserve and Emergency Operations Plan; and

WHEREAS, members of AUXCOMM have received intensive training recognized and credentialed to ensure uniform, disciplined communication in support of the Incident Command System and Alabama EMA and are under control of the Communication Unit Leader (COML); and

WHEREAS, these amateur radio operators generously operate privately owned communications resources for the welfare and common good of Alabamians at their own expense and no cost to the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS, these amateur radio operators diligently maintain communications on a state, regional, national and world-wide basis in preparation for emergencies anywhere on earth; and

WHEREAS, these amateur radio operators always practice and refine their communication skills especially during the annual Amateur Radio Field Day exercises; and

WHEREAS, the annual Amateur Radio Field Day event is June 24 and 25, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim June 19 through June 25, 2023, as

Amateur Radio Week

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 13th day of June 2023.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor