



# *Proclamation*

## *By the Governor of Alabama*

*WHEREAS, the emerging global economy makes active engagement with other countries and cultures critical to our progress as a nation and our institutions; and*

*WHEREAS, Troy University is known as Alabama's International University and enrolls students from around the world; and*

*WHEREAS, Troy University operates teaching sites in Japan, South Korea, Malaysia and Vietnam, where Troy became the first U.S. university to award the baccalaureate degree; and*

*WHEREAS, Troy University has enabled all students to benefit from exposure to classmates from different nations and cultures, with the goal of preparing them to excel in the international marketplace that awaits them after graduation; and*

*WHEREAS, the international students who study in our great nation return home as goodwill ambassadors for Alabama and the United States of America; and*

*WHEREAS, international education has an annual impact of almost \$34 billion on the U.S. economy and an annual impact of approximately \$262 million to Alabama's economy;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim November 13 through November 17, 2023, as*

# *International Education Week*

*in the state of Alabama, and I commend Troy University for their efforts in creating a global village to forge mutual understanding and appreciation.*



*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 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.*

*Kay Ivey*

*Kay Ivey, Governor*