



# *Proclamation*

## *By the Governor of Alabama*

*WHEREAS, entrepreneurship and innovation are essential to the growth and competitiveness of Alabama's economy; and*

*WHEREAS, Alabama's most prominent industries and its citizens would all benefit from an enhanced culture of innovation and entrepreneurship within Alabama's economy; and*

*WHEREAS, Alabama is home to several prestigious institutions which foster innovation by engaging in cutting-edge research and development; and*

*WHEREAS, Alabama is committed to supporting entrepreneurship, innovation, research and development, as well as knowledge-based economic development that produce high-quality jobs aligned with economic-growth opportunities now and in the future; and*

*WHEREAS, I established the Alabama Innovation Commission to prepare Alabama for the future economy; and*

*WHEREAS, I, in partnership with the Alabama Legislature, created the Alabama Innovation Corporation, now known as Innovate Alabama, to execute the recommendations of the Alabama Innovation Commission; and*

*WHEREAS, Alabamians have benefitted from the efforts of Innovate Alabama and its leadership in pursuit of a more robust, inclusive and diverse economy during its two years in operation;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim December 14, 2023, as*

# *Innovate Alabama 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor