



# *Proclamation*

## *By the Governor of Alabama*

*WHEREAS, there are nearly six million supermarket employees in the United States; and*

*WHEREAS, in Alabama, there are 70,000 grocery industry jobs with over \$2.5 billion in annual wages paid; and*

*WHEREAS, grocers pay over \$1.1 billion in state taxes and have a total economic impact statewide of over \$12.1 billion; and*

*WHEREAS, supermarket employees provide all Americans with access to safe, healthy and affordable food; and*

*WHEREAS, supermarket employees work to enhance the health and wellbeing of each customer; and*

*WHEREAS, supermarket employees contribute and volunteer countless hours in their communities; and*

*WHEREAS, supermarket employees have always been frontline heroes during times of crisis and essential in disaster relief; and*

*WHEREAS, supermarket employees have and continue to meet and exceed these challenges, while displaying courage, compassion, dedication and leadership, as well as exemplifying customer service and community outreach; and*

*WHEREAS, the need for supermarket employees is greater than ever because of current and growing consumer demands as well as their reputation for excellence;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim February 22, 2024, as*

# *Supermarket Employee 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 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor