



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Alabama recognizes the selfless acts of service performed by its brave members of the military and their devoted families; and

WHEREAS, military families continue to face the unique burden of deployments, often causing uncertainty and constant upending of their daily lives and routines; and

WHEREAS, military families know of the sacrifices borne by military children, but their important contributions can often go unnoticed by the general public; and

WHEREAS, Alabama is the proud home to more than 14,000 children whose parents serve in the active-duty military and nearly 18,000 whose parents serve in the Alabama National Guard or reserves and are stationed in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Council for the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission is an active participant in ensuring the successful educational transition of families from other states and the District of Columbia to Alabama; and

WHEREAS, these children are a source of pride and honor to us all, and it is fitting that we take time to recognize their contributions, celebrate their spirit and let our men and women in uniform know that while they are taking care of us, we are taking care of their children; and

WHEREAS, National Purple Up! Day, observed on April 19, 2024, honors the sacrifices made by military children, and the community recognizes them by wearing purple; and

WHEREAS, the recognition of April as the Month of the Military Child provides an opportunity to pay tribute to military children for their commitment, their sacrifice and their unconditional support of our service members. When parents serve in the military, their kids serve too;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 2024, as

Month of the Military Child

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 29th day of March 2024.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor