



# *Proclamation*

## *By the Governor of Alabama*

*WHEREAS, hunting and shooting sports are part of the history, tradition and culture of Alabama;*  
*and*

*WHEREAS, increasing access to education and shooting sports provides an opportunity to safely learn to shoot and to responsibly increase public participation in shooting sports and hunting; and*

*WHEREAS, millions of Alabamians, young and old, participate in hunting and shooting sports every year; and*

*WHEREAS, sportsmen and hunters teach others to understand the responsibilities of owning and using a firearm, while also working to ensure that our natural resources are safeguarded; and*

*WHEREAS, this industry contributed as much as \$952 million to the Alabama economy in 2023 and supported nearly 5,000 jobs; and*

*WHEREAS, the Pittman-Robertson excise tax, levied on the sale of firearms, ammunition and certain hunting equipment in the U.S. to fund wildlife conservation and hunter education, provided Alabama with over \$14.5 million for wildlife and conservation in 2023;*

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

# *Shooting Sports Month*

*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 30<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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*Kay Ivey, Governor*