



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, The National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century was organized on July 15, 1915, at the International Genealogical Congress meeting at the Panama Exposition in San Francisco, California on July 15, 1915; and

WHEREAS, The National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century unites members in a communion based on their interest in American history, their love and respect for this nation and a mutual desire to work together in harmonious fellowship to achieve the goals of the society; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this society is to zealously maintain the high principles of virtue, courage and patriotism which led to the independence of the Colonies and laid the foundation for the establishment of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the society aids in the preservation of records and historical sites to commemorate the noble and heroic deeds of our ancestors who were the founders of this great Republic; and

WHEREAS, the society includes heraldry at the core of its objectives and holds one of the largest collections of Coats of Arms in the country to preserve the lineage and Coats of Arms of our Armorial Ancestors; and

WHEREAS, The Alabama Society of the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century was founded by Gertrude Worthington Jefferies on March 19, 1952, in Birmingham, Alabama, marking 72 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim February 8, 2025, as

Alabama Society Colonial Dames XVII Century 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 5th day of February 2025.*

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor