



# *Proclamation*

## *By the Governor of Alabama*

*WHEREAS, radon is a colorless, odorless and tasteless radioactive gas that is produced when uranium breaks down in soil and water; and*

*WHEREAS, radon can be a serious health risk to Alabamians when it is trapped in buildings; and*

*WHEREAS, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States, the number one cause of lung cancer among nonsmokers, and the cause of more than 21,000 deaths annually; and*

*WHEREAS, it is estimated that one in 15 homes in the United States has elevated radon levels; and*

*WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Surgeon General urge all Americans to protect their health by testing for radon because exposure to radon is a preventable health risk and testing radon levels in your home can help prevent unnecessary exposure; and*

*WHEREAS, if a high radon level is detected in your home, steps can be taken to mitigate the problem;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim January 2025 as*

# *Radon Action Month*

*in the state of Alabama and draw attention to the importance of protecting yourself and your family by testing for radon levels every two years and remedying the problem if found.*



*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 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025.*

*Kay Ivey*

*Kay Ivey, Governor*