



# Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS*, 250 years ago, on April 19, 1775, the American Revolutionary War began with clashes in at Lexington and Concord, where "the shot heard round the world" marked the first stand in the fight for independence and the birth of a nation founded on liberty and self-governance; and

*WHEREAS*, the brave men and women who stood against tyranny, known as the Patriots, risked their lives, fortunes and sacred honor in the pursuit of freedom, laying the foundation for the United States of America; and

*WHEREAS*, it is fitting to reflect upon and celebrate the freedoms secured through their struggle, to educate future generations about the values of perseverance and unity and to reaffirm our commitment to upholding these ideals; and

*WHEREAS*, the citizens of Alabama cherish the freedoms and rights established by our nation's founders, and Patriots' Day serves as an opportunity to express gratitude for the blessings of liberty;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2025, as

## Patriots' 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025.

*Kay Ivey*

Kay Ivey, Governor