



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, small businesses are the engine of the American economy and the foundation of a free and prosperous nation — built by men and women who work hard, take risks and believe in the power of the American Dream; and

WHEREAS, small businesses make up more than 99 percent of all private sector employers and create nearly two out of every three new jobs in America, fueling opportunity and driving local economies across every corner of the country; and

WHEREAS, whether in our fields, on our factory floors or at the frontiers of technology, small businesses are driving the innovation and building the products that keep America strong, competitive, and secure; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, small business owners have faced unprecedented challenges — from record-high inflation to reckless federal spending and burdensome regulations — yet they have remained resilient in their commitment to delivering for America's communities; and

WHEREAS, despite these headwinds, the American spirit of enterprise endures, and we now stand at the threshold of a new Golden Age for small businesses — built on common sense, pro-growth policies that put our people, our workers and our job creators first; and

WHEREAS, under strong leadership that prioritizes energy independence, secure borders, and fair trade, we can once again restore American dominance, self-reliance and independence; and

WHEREAS, Alabama shares the Trump Administration's commitment to cutting red tape, keeping taxes low and fighting for the hardworking entrepreneurs who power our economy from the ground up; and

WHEREAS, National Small Business Week has been proclaimed by the President of the United States since 1963, honoring the vital role of small businesses in creating jobs, growing the economy and anchoring our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 4 through May 10, 2025, as

National Small Business Week

in the state of Alabama and encourage all citizens to support small businesses and celebrate their many achievements.



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 8th day of May 2025.

Kay Ivey
Kay Ivey, Governor