

## STATE OF ALABAMA PROCLAMATION By The Governor

WHEREAS authenticated information has reached this office regarding the disappearance and death of Theresa Benn in Talladega County, Alabama;

WHEREAS it appears that the victim's body was discovered in the Jackson Shoals area of Choccolocco Creek on November 22, 2014 and the manner of her death was determined to be homicide.

WHEREAS this case remains unsolved and circumstances surrounding the crime indicate that every effort should continue to be made in the pursuit of justice for this victim.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Alabama, under Ala. Code § 15-9-1 (1975), do hereby increase the existing \$5,000 reward, issued on February 12, 2016, to a total of \$10,000 for information leading to the arrest <u>and</u> conviction of the perpetrator(s), provided that no arrest has been made in connection with this crime as of the date of this proclamation, and provided further that eligibility for this reward shall be limited to private citizens who are not members or employees of any government law enforcement agency or the relatives thereof.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Alabama to be affixed by the Secretary of State at the Capitol in the City of Montgomery on this third day of July 2025.

Kay Ivey Kay Ivey Governor

ATTEST

Wes Allen Secretary of State