OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Kay Ivey Governor



STATE CAPITOL MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36130

(334) 242-7100

STATE OF ALABAMA

Kay lvey

TO: All State Agencies

FROM: Governor Kay Ivey

DATE: Friday, December 5, 2025

RE: Flags Lowered Honoring National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

In accordance with the presidential proclamation, I am directing flags be flown at half-staff on **Sunday, December 7, 2025**, to honor our military service members and civilians who lost their lives during the **Japanese Attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, on December 7, 1941.**

This Sunday morning, eighty-four years ago, America was shaken by the Empire of Japan's brutal and unprovoked attack on the U.S. Pacific Fleet at Pearl Harbor. We lost 2,403 U.S. service members and civilians during the 90-minute assault while another 1,178 were injured. Twenty-one U.S. ships, including eight battleships, were damaged or permanently sunk, and 188 U.S. aircraft were destroyed. The next day before a Joint Session of Congress **President**Franklin Delano Roosevelt clearly stated the gravity of the blow to our country's fighting force while declaring that America would emerge triumphant:

"No matter how long it may take us to overcome this premeditated invasion, the American people in their righteous might will win through to absolute victory. I believe that I interpret the will of the Congress and of the people when I assert that we will not only defend ourselves to the uttermost but will make it very certain that this form of treachery shall never again endanger us. Hostilities exist. There is no blinking at the fact that our people, our territory, and our interests are in grave danger. With confidence in our armed forces—with the unbounding determination of our people—we will gain the inevitable triumph—so help us God."

On August 23, 1994, the U.S. Congress declared December 7 as National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

Accordingly, in honor and memory of all those we lost at Pearl Harbor more than eight decades ago, I am directing all flags be lowered in the state of Alabama to half-staff from sunrise to sunset on **Sunday, December 7, 2025**.

KI/ml