



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Baker County was established by Act of the Alabama Legislature on December 30, 1868; and

WHEREAS, Baker County became the 65th county to be established in the State of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Baker County was established during the period of Reconstruction following the American Civil War; and

WHEREAS, Baker County was renamed Chilton County in honor of William Parish Chilton, Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court on December 17, 1874; and

WHEREAS, Chilton County is located in the geographic center of the state; and

WHEREAS, Chilton County has a rich historical legacy that includes the site of the Battle of Ebenezer Church during the American Civil War, the establishment of the Home for Confederate Veterans at Mountain Creek, and the site of the first hydro-electric project in the State of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, 106 residents of Chilton County gave their last full measure of devotion in service to their country and fellow citizens during the First World War, Second World War, Korea, Vietnam, Lebanon and Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Chilton County has produced internationally recognized musicians, actors, athletes and other notable personalities; and

WHEREAS, Chilton County is recognized as the Peach Capital of Alabama for producing more than two-thirds of the total yield of the state's leading commercial fruit; and

WHEREAS, Chilton County has contributed to the economy of the State of Alabama through its timber, agricultural and industrial resources for more than 150 years; and

WHEREAS, the people of Chilton County have remained steadfast in their commitment to their families, communities, and the county and state that is their home; and

WHEREAS, the year 2018 represents the Sesquicentennial of Chilton County Alabama;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim December 30, 2018, as the

150th Anniversary of the Establishment of Chilton County

in the State of Alabama, and urge all citizens to reflect upon the positive contributions of Chilton County and her citizens to 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 30th day of April 2018.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor