



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Alabama recognizes the great need to promote mediation as a means for litigants to resolve their cases by agreement rather than requiring the court's resources for a resolution; and

WHEREAS, alternative dispute resolution procedures have been implemented in the Alabama court system to further the goal of increasing the number of Alabama litigants reaching tailored resolutions to disputes in an expedient manner; and

WHEREAS, community-based and small claims mediation programs have developed in Alabama to fairly and equitably resolve neighborhood, community and small claims conflicts, thus strengthening community relationships; and

WHEREAS, mediation is increasingly used by corporations and businesses, and especially in the workplace by managers and supervisors who have embraced the power and efficiency of open communication and collaborative problem-solving; and

WHEREAS, mediation programs have been promoted in government agencies and educational facilities throughout the state of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the American Bar Association has declared the week of October 15 through October 21, 2017, Mediation Week;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 15 through October 21, 2017, as

Mediation Week

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 1st day of October 2017.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor