



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS, the State of Alabama recognizes the selfless acts of service performed by its brave members of the military and their devoted Families; and*

*WHEREAS, Military Families continue to face the unique burden of deployments, often causing uncertainty and constant upending of their daily lives and routines; and*

*WHEREAS, Military Families themselves know of the sacrifices borne by military children, but their important contributions can often go unnoticed by the general public; and*

*WHEREAS, Alabama is home to more than thirty thousand military children who have at least one parent serving in the military, and*

*WHEREAS, these children are a source of pride and honor to us all, and it is fitting that we take time to recognize their contributions, celebrate their spirit and let our men and women in uniform know that while they are taking care of us, we are taking care of their children; and*

*WHEREAS, the recognition of April as the Month of the Military Child provides an opportunity to pay tribute to military children for their commitment, their sacrifice and their unconditional support of our service members, because when parents serve in the military, their kids serve too; and*

*WHEREAS, a month-long salute to military children will encourage local communities to provide direct support to military children and Families;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 2018, as*

# Military Child Month

*in the State of Alabama and urge all citizens to observe this month by connecting with military youth, military families and communities to provide support to all military children.*



*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 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2018.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor