

## **Proclamation**By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the citizens of the state of Alabama have suffered significant effects from severe weather during the primary and secondary severe weather season as a result of storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds and flooding; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2011, more than 250 deaths occurred during a super tornado outbreak that spun 62 tornados across the state and caused thousands of injuries and destroyed thousands of homes; and

WHEREAS, increased public awareness and public education regarding severe weather preparedness can increase the number of lives saved from deadly storms that can occur any time of the year; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service, Alabama Emergency Management Agency and local Emergency Management agencies encourage Alabamians to build an emergency kit, create an emergency communication plan and practice with family members to insure everyone knows what to do and where to go before, during and after the storm;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of the state of Alabama, do hereby proclaim February 18 through February 23, 2018, as

## Severe Weather Awareness Week

in the state of Alabama and invite each citizen in this great state to use all resources at your disposal to be sure you can keep you and your family safe from the storm.



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 18th day of January 2018.

Kay Ivey Governor