



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the history and culture of our great nation have been significantly influenced by the women of the South; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of Southern women have enhanced the freedom, prosperity and greatness of America today; and

WHEREAS, Southern women have been recognized for their strength and nobility during a time of battle; and

WHEREAS, the Southern woman, during the War Between the States, played a critical role in keeping the homesteads, businesses and families functioning while their husbands, sons and brothers were off at war; and

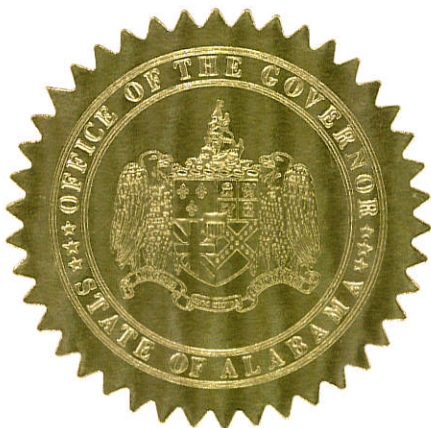
WHEREAS, a Steel Magnolia is defined as one who exemplifies both traditional femininity as well as uncommon fortitude; and

WHEREAS, in honor of the Southern woman, The Order of the Steel Magnolias, a national society, is incorporated in the great state of Alabama. The organization will hold its Inaugural Meeting in Montgomery, Alabama on November 18, 2018;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim November 18, 2018, as

Steel Magnolias Day

in the State of Alabama and urge our citizens to observe this day with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.



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 15th day of November 2018.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor