



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, water is our most valuable natural resource; and

WHEREAS, drinking water serves a vital role in daily life, serving an essential purpose to health, hydration and hygiene needs for the quality of life our citizens enjoy; and

WHEREAS, tap water delivers public health protection, fire protection, support for our economy and the quality of life we enjoy; and

WHEREAS, when communities invest in community water fluoridation, there is an average estimated return on investment of \$20 in dental treatment costs for every one dollar in most cities; and

WHEREAS, the hard work performed by the entire water sector, such as designing capital projects, operators ensuring the safety and quality of drinking water, and a member of a pipe crew maintaining the infrastructure which communities rely on to transport high-quality drinking water from its source to consumers' taps; and

WHEREAS, the coronavirus pandemic has shone a light on the importance of drinking water for health, hydration and hygiene needs; and

WHEREAS, we are all stewards of the water infrastructure upon which current and future generations depend; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Alabama are called upon to help protect our source waters from pollution, to practice water conservation and to get involved with their water by familiarizing themselves with it:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 3 through 9, 2026, as

Drinking Water 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 16th day of April 2026.

Kay Ivey
Kay Ivey, Governor