



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS, Crime Victims Rights Week serves as a vital opportunity to honor, support and raise awareness for individuals impacted by crime. In Alabama, this tradition has been marked by observances, educational events and community outreach efforts. This concentrated period brings necessary attention to the rights and needs of crime victims; and*

*WHEREAS, crime, victimization and recovery are complex issues that touch every community in Alabama. Communities can benefit from continuous education and reminders about the importance of supporting victims and upholding their rights; and*

*WHEREAS, organizing meaningful events — such as workshops, seminars, trainings, memorials and community dialogues — is an important educational aspect to protecting crime victims. This time of observance allows for deeper engagement with schools, faith-based organizations, law enforcement, victim service providers and the general public; and*

*WHEREAS, Alabama's communities are diverse, each with unique needs and experiences of crime and justice. Crime Victims Rights efforts can be tailored to different regions, age groups and cultures, ensuring that resources and support reach those who may otherwise be overlooked; and*

*WHEREAS, Alabama is home to innovative and effective victim support programs. During this month, communities should share success stories, best practices and resources with others, enhancing the overall quality of victim services statewide; and*

*WHEREAS, Crime Victims Rights Month is a declaration of Alabama's ongoing commitment to justice, healing and equity for all victims of crime. This opportunity helps promote education, advocacy and support, so that we can further foster a culture where crime victims are truly recognized, supported and empowered. This observance will not only amplify the reach and effectiveness of outreach efforts, but also inspire lasting change within communities, strengthen policy and honor the resilience of survivors.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 2026, as*

# Crime Victims Rights Month

*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 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor