



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Alabama recognizes the great need to promote mediation as a means for litigants to resolve their cases by agreement rather than requiring the court's resources for a resolution; and

WHEREAS, alternative dispute resolution procedures have been implemented in the Alabama court system to further the goal of increasing the number of Alabama litigants reaching tailored resolutions to disputes in an expedient manner; and

WHEREAS, community-based, small claims and pro bono mediation programs have developed in Alabama to fairly and equitably resolve neighborhood, community and small claims conflicts, thus strengthening community and family relationships; and

WHEREAS, Alabama state agencies have incorporated the use of mediation to help disputants resolve their differences; and

WHEREAS, mediation programs have been promoted by the Alabama Supreme Court Commission on Dispute Resolution, the Dispute Resolution Section of the Alabama State Bar, the Alabama Center for Dispute Resolution and the Alabama Unified Judicial System throughout the state of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the American Bar Association has declared the week of October 19 through 23, 2026, Mediation Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 19 through 23, 2026, as

Mediation 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 8th day of October 2026.

Kay Ivey
Kay Ivey, Governor