

## STATE OF ALABAMA PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, I declared the existence of a state public health emergency based on the appearance in the State of Alabama of the 2019 novel coronavirus known as COVID-19;

WHEREAS I issued supplemental emergency proclamations to further address the occurrence of COVID-19 in the State of Alabama on the following dates: March 18, 20, 23, and 26 of 2020; April 2, 3, and 13 of 2020; May 8 and 21 of 2020; June 9 and 30 of 2020; July 2, 15, and 29 of 2020; August 21 and 27 of 2020; September 30, 2020; November 5, 2020; December 9 and 11 of 2020; January 21, 2021; March 4, 12, and 22 of 2021; April 7, 2021; and May 3, 2021;

WHEREAS these supplemental proclamations included numerous emergency actions designed to cut red tape and as much government bureaucracy as possible as Alabamians sought to adjust to life during a pandemic;

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic presented a serious and unprecedented threat to public health, straining the capacity of our healthcare system and resulting in numerous hospitalizations and deaths;

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic also created serious and unprecedented problems for many other areas of society, especially for schools, churches, businesses, and the economy;

WHEREAS the State's response to the pandemic has involved not just government but individuals and organizations from all corners of Alabama, working together and sacrificing for the public good;

**WHEREAS**, although the pandemic is not over, our healthcare systems are better equipped to treat the COVID-19 virus, and effective vaccines are readily available;

WHEREAS our economic recovery ranks among the best in the Nation compared to that of other States; and

WHEREAS a state of emergency is therefore no longer presently necessary;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of the State of Alabama, pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Alabama Emergency Management Act of 1955, as amended, Ala. Code §§ 31-9-1 *et seq.*, do hereby proclaim that the state of emergency pertaining to COVID-19 originally proclaimed on March 13, 2020, is terminated effective 11:59 p.m. C.S.T. on July 6, 2021.



ATTEST:

John H. Merrill Secretary of State IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal to be affixed by the Secretary of State at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on this the 6th day of July 2021.

Kay Ivey

Governor