

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, there are nearly six million supermarket employees in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in Alabama, there are 70,000 grocery industry jobs with over \$2.5 billion in annual wages paid; and

WHEREAS, grocers pay over \$1.1 billion in state taxes and have a total economic impact statewide of over \$12.1 billion; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees provide all Americans with access to safe, healthy and affordable food; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees work to enhance the health and wellbeing of each customer; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees contribute and volunteer countless hours in their communities; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees have always been frontline heroes during times of crisis and essential in disaster relief; and

WHEREAS, supermarket employees have and continue to meet and exceed these challenges, while displaying courage, compassion, dedication and leadership, as well as exemplifying customer service and community outreach; and

WHEREAS, the need for supermarket employees is greater than ever because of current and growing consumer demands as well as their reputation for excellence;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim February 22, 2024, as

Supermarket Employee Day

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 February 2024.

Kay Ivey, Governor