

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the month of October has been recognized as Arts and Humanities Month by thousands of arts and cultural organizations, communities and states across the country; and

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities embody the accumulated wisdom, intellect and imagination of humankind; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Endowment for the Arts, the arts and culture sector strengthens Alabama's economy by generating \$5.6 billion in economic activity and by supporting over 47,000 jobs; and

WHEREAS, Alabama Humanities Alliance and Alabama State Council on the Arts managed the distribution of \$2.6 million in federal pandemic relief and recovery funds to Alabama cultural organizations, preserving and creating 1,120 jobs; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Alabama has been home to notable and influential artists from multiple disciplines that have enriched our culture both statewide and nationally; and

WHEREAS, Alabama has also been home to countless scholars and humanists who use the humanities to bring Alabamians together and to make Alabama a more vibrant place to live through impactful storytelling, lifelong learning and civic engagement;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 2022,

National Arts and Humanities Month

in the state of Alabama.

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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 13th day of October 2022.

Kay Ivey, Governor