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## STATE OF ALABAMA

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Members of the Alabama Legislature:

Thank you for a productive, efficient, and very impactful First Special Session of 2021. Your diligence and hard work on behalf of your constituents will benefit future generations of Alabamians. Working together, you and your colleagues in both legislative chambers took meaningful steps toward solving longstanding problems with our State's prison infrastructure. Please know how thankful I am for each of you, both individually and as a body.

I hope that we can build off this success in the future. The next order of business for our State is reapportionment. Thanks to your efforts, and those of many, many others, our *Alabama Counts!* census campaign was a resounding success—even in the midst of a global pandemic—allowing Alabama to maintain our strong representation in Congress as well as billions of federal dollars. Alabama's census count was truly a team effort, and I am grateful for the work you and many others performed in your respective communities to count as many Alabamians as possible.

As a result of discussions with your legislative leadership and the co-chairs of the Reapportionment Committee, I am planning to call a special session of the Legislature to address redistricting. **I will issue the formal proclamation soon but wanted you to know now that the date for convening the special session will be Thursday, October 28, 2021.** Please begin to prepare and make plans accordingly. Additional details will be shared with you from your legislative leadership very soon.

I look forward to seeing you in person soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kay Ivey".

Kay Ivey  
Governor