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U.S. Senator Katie Britt Statement on Anniversary of the 16th Street Baptist Church Bombing

Washington, D.C., September 15, 2023 – U.S. Senator Katie Britt (R-Ala.) today released the following statement as Birmingham commemorates the sixtieth anniversary of the 16th Street Baptist Church Bombing:

“Today, we solemnly mark 60 years since one of the darkest days in Alabama’s history. On that Sunday morning in 1963, a truly evil act was carried out – a hateful attack that tragically took the lives of four innocent girls: Addie Mae Collins, Cynthia Wesley, Carole Robertson, and Denise McNair. As a mom, as a Christian, and as an Alabamian, the memory of that day will forever be gut-wrenching. We must always appeal to the better angels of our nature – not the darkest depths of humanity. In our own time, it is imperative that we ensure that the forces of bigotry and racism never again have a grip on our society. Let us all recommit on this anniversary to continue building a more perfect union for all Americans.”

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