



# Proclamation

By the Mayor of Prattville, Alabama

*WHEREAS, since 2005, America's Navy has come home to more than 15 cities across the country every year. The city of Prattville is honored to have the presence of the United States Navy in our community; and*

*WHEREAS, the State of Alabama is home to more than 5,071 active-duty Sailors, more than 558 Navy Reservists, and more than 7,822 retirees; and*

*WHEREAS, the United States Navy is instrumental in ensuring the safety and security of \$25.5 billion in annual exports from the State of Alabama; and*

*WHEREAS, the citizens of Alabama and Montgomery take great pride in supporting our namesake vessels the USS Alabama (SSBN-731) and USS Montgomery (LCS-8); and*

*WHEREAS, Navy Week hosts special events programs for the city to increase the community's knowledge and understanding of the Navy and its global mission; and*

*WHEREAS, Montgomery Navy Week includes several public events such as free concerts by Navy Band Southeast, static displays, historical demonstrations, and additional performances by supporting assets.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Gillespie, Jr., Mayor of the City of Prattville, do hereby proclaim April 1<sup>st</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024*

## UNITED STATES NAVY WEEK

*in Prattville, Alabama.*



Given Under My Hand and the Seal of the City of Prattville on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 2024.

*Bill Gillespie Jr.*

Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr.