

Kay Ivey | State Leadership Award

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Governor, State of Alabama

Known as a champion for Alabama's military installations and a steadfast supporter for men and women in uniform, Gov. Kay Ivey (R), has championed a variety of legislation to improve the lives of military members and their families since she assumed office in 2017.

In May of 2018, Gov. Ivey signed multiple bills into law aimed to enhance quality of life, including the Military Family Jobs Opportunity Act, which provides licensure reciprocity to military spouses across numerous state agencies and the Parks for Patriots Bill, which grants free state park admission to active or retired service members who are Alabama residents. Gov. Ivey was also an integral part of the effort to secure the F-35 mission for the 187th Fighter Wing at Maxwell Air Force Base.



Gov. Ivey recognizes soldiers at the 2018 Governor's Outstanding Service Member Awards Luncheon. During the event, Ivey signed the Military Family Jobs Opportunity Act. Photo by Hal Yeager

“While many people were involved in the multi-year selection process for the F-35 Fighter Wing, the governor led our state through this journey with distinction, and she

was instrumental in bringing this next-generation aircraft to Montgomery. As her friend and colleague, I am incredibly proud of Gov. Ivey's leadership and commitment to Alabama's military footprint."

—U.S. Rep. Martha Roby (R-Ala.)
