



Commendation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the Silver Star Flag and Banner have represented the wounded of our Armed Forces since 1918 when the Adjutant General of the United States Army gave it semi-official Service Flag status; and

WHEREAS, the Lt. Colonel Nathan William MacChesney, Judge Advocate of the N.A. Central Department, stated in an official bulletin that the Silver Star Flag for the wounded was authorized and encouraged; and

WHEREAS, the Silver Star Families of America was founded in 2005 to bring back this tradition; and

WHEREAS, the Silver Star Families of America have brought back into public use a Silver Star Flag and Banner designed to represent to all the blood shed for this Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Silver Star Families of America have to date freely given over 1000 Silver Star Banners to the wounded and scores of Silver Star Flags V.A. medical centers and military hospitals; and

WHEREAS, it is our wish that every time someone sees the Silver Star Banner in a window or the Silver Star Flag flying that they remember the sacrifice of so many:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Riley, Governor of Alabama, do hereby commend

Silver Star Families of America

and express my gratitude to the Silver Stars and declare that the Silver Star Flag and Banner are the permanent official Service Flag and Banner for the wounded in the State of Alabama;



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 2nd day of January 2008.


Governor Bob Riley