



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS, geology and the other earth sciences are fundamental to the safety, health and welfare of Alabamians and to the economy of Alabama; and*

*WHEREAS, the earth sciences are integral to finding, developing, and conserving mineral, energy, biologic, and water resources needed for Alabama's continuing prosperity; and*

*WHEREAS, the earth sciences provide the fundamental basis of understanding the earth system as the foundation of ecosystem management principles; and*

*WHEREAS, geological factors of resources, hazards and environment are vital to land management and land use decisions made in Alabama; and*

*WHEREAS, the earth sciences contribute vitally to our understanding and appreciation of and our respect for nature:*

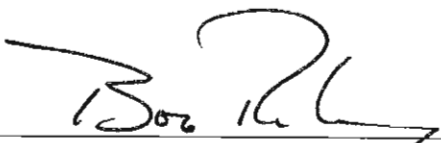
*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Riley, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 12 through October 18, 2008, as*

## *Earth Science Week*

*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 1st day of October 2008.*

  
Governor Bob Riley