

*Office of the Mayor
Foley, Alabama*

Proclamation

WHEREAS, April is the month in which the War Between the States began; and

WHEREAS, the history of this conflict is a significant part of Alabama history; and

WHEREAS, high among the burdens of any community is the burden of armed conflict; and

WHEREAS, Alabamians have admirably answered the grim call to duty when beckoned, from the era of the musket to that of the missile; and

WHEREAS, conflict gave birth to the Confederate States of America in the city of Montgomery; and

WHEREAS, Alabamians heeded the call to action with dignity, both at home and on the battlefield; and

WHEREAS, upon the conclusion of the war, many of these same leaders and citizens worked tirelessly to reunite and rebuild this country and forge reconciliation; and

WHEREAS, the knowledge of the role of the Confederate States of America in the history of our state and nation is vital to understanding who we are; and

WHEREAS, we honor our past and draw from it the courage, strength and wisdom to reconcile ourselves and go forward into the future together as Alabamians and Americans:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor John Koniar, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2016 as, **"Confederate History Month"** in Foley, Alabama.



In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand on this 4th Day of April, 2016



Attest: 