

Office of the Mayor  
Opelika, Alabama



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Mayors from across Alabama recognize Marriage Month during February to coincide with the Governor's Proclamation on February 8, 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, it is widely known that children who grow up in loving, stable homes have the best chance of doing well on a whole host of outcomes; and

**WHEREAS**, officials of the US Department of Health and Human Services remind us that families are the cradle of life and love for each new generation, and the primary source of identity, self-esteem and support for children; and

**WHEREAS**, officials say families are the first and foremost school of life, uniquely suited to teach children integrity, character, morals, responsibility, service and wisdom

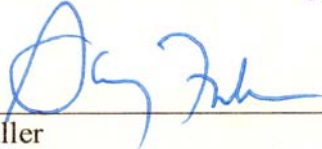
**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Gary Fuller, Mayor of the City of Opelika, Alabama do hereby proclaim February 2008 as

## ALABAMA MARRIAGE MONTH

In the City of Opelika and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the importance of marriage to every child in our community.

This the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2008



  
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Gary Fuller  
Mayor

  
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