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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

COMMENDING COLONEL DAVID ETHEREDGE FOR PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS.

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WHEREAS, with great pride and special pleasure, we highly commend Colonel David Etheredge, the Commander of the 117th Maintenance Group, Sumpter Smith Air National Guard Base, Birmingham, Alabama, and a Senior Evaluator Pilot on the KC-135R/T with the Alabama Air National Guard, for his many professional achievements; as Group Commander, he is responsible for over 300 personnel in a TFA ANG Active Associate Wing to generate and execute nine KC-135R aircraft to provide worldwide aerial refueling and airlift missions; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating from the Academy of
Military Science in June 1994, Colonel Etheredge gained his
commission as a Second Lieutenant; in July 1995, he graduated
from Undergraduate Pilot Training from Columbus Air Force
Base, Mississippi, as a Distinguished Graduate; upon
completion of KC-135 initial training at Altus Air Force Base,
Oklahoma, he was assigned to the 106th Air Refueling Squadron;
over the years, he has served in a variety of positions at the
squadron, group, and wing levels, including, but not limited
to, Operations Support Squadron Commander, Chief of Wing

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Tactics, and Chief of Aircrew Training; furthermore, he is a
veteran of operations Joint Forge, Iraqi Freedom, Enduring
Freedom, Northern Watch, Southern Watch, Inherent Resolve,
Freedom's Sentinel, and Noble Eagle, flying over 220 combat
and combat support sorties in the KC-135; also, he is a Flying
Safety Officer, an Aircraft Mishap Investigator, and the
Safety and Accident Investigation Board President; a highly
decorated pilot, Colonel Etheredge has accumulated more than
5,100 flying hours; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Etheredge's unwavering bravery, steadfast selflessness, and diligent commitment to serving others make him an incredible leader and friend in the lives of many; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Colonel David Etheredge is highly commended for his many professional achievements, and this resolution hereby serves as a tribute to him with warmest gratitude and admiration, along with sincere best wishes for continued happiness and success during his retirement.

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