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- 3 By Representatives Sanderford, Baker and Rowe
- 4 RFD: Rules
- 5 First Read: 18-APR-17

2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

COMMENDING SERGEANT LARRY TOLAND, OFFICER ZACKARY

DAVIS, AND CORPORAL PAT SANDERS OF THE MOBILE POLICE

DEPARTMENT AND OFFICER CLARENCE ADAMS OF THE PRICHARD POLICE

DEPARTMENT AS NOMINEES FOR THE 2017 ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE MEDAL

OF HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.

WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we recognize Sergeant Larry Toland, Officer Zackary Davis, and Corporal Pat Sanders of the Mobile Police Department and Officer Clarence Adams of the Prichard Police Department as nominees for the 2017 Alabama Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement, Alabama's highest law enforcement award for extraordinary courage in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, during the early morning hours of April 1, 2016, Sergeant Larry Toland, Officer Zackary Davis, Corporal Pat Sanders, and Officer Clarence Adams, members of the Mobile County Street Enforcement Narcotics Team, led the undercover operation designed to apprehend "Rider," the self-proclaimed leader of a compound located in a rural area of Mobile County that was used as a drug distribution hub for other illegal activities; upon his arrival at the location of the sting, Rider attempted to flee from the officers; Officer Davis caught up with him and Sergeant Toland and Officer Adams

arrived seconds later; Rider continued to fight with the three officers and fired a Glock pisol, striking Officer Davis in the abdomen; with Officer Davis now incapacitated, Rider fired from less than five feet away at Sergeant Toland, Officer Adams, and Corporal Sanders who had arrived on the scene; Sergeant Toland, Officer Adams, and Corporal Sanders returned fire and incapacitated the suspect despite the fact that he was wearing a military style Kevlar vest and a motorcycle helmet; Sergeant Toland, Officer Adams, and Corporal Sanders secured the wounded assailant and carried gravely wounded Officer Davis to a Mobile County Sheriff's Department patrol car that had stopped to investigate; Officer Davis was transported to the hospital; and

WHEREAS, placed in a life-threatening situation and without a moment's hesitation, Sergeant Larry Toland, Officer Zackary Davis, Corporal Pat Sanders, and Officer Clarence Adams placed themselves in the line of peril and stopped the individual from carrying out additional heinous acts of crime and harming or killing others; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Larry Toland, Officer Zackary

Davis, Corporal Pat Sanders, and Officer Clarence Adams

demonstrated immense courage, diligence, and quick response in

a life-threatening situation; their loyalty and unwavering

commitment to protect and serve the residents of Mobile and

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Prichard, Alabama, were evidenced through their quick and
proper response in order to protect the lives of others; and
WHEREAS, Sergeant Larry Toland, Officer Zackary
Davis, Corporal Pat Sanders, and Officer Clarence Adams
epitomize the qualities of those who serve and protect, and
they are truly deserving of this distinguished nomination for
the Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement; now
therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby recognize and honor Sergeant Larry Toland, Officer Zackary Davis, Corporal Pat Sanders, and Officer Clarence Adams as nominees for the 2017 Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement and direct that each receive a copy of this resolution as evidence of our admiration and esteem.

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