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3 By Representative Holmes (A)
4 RFD:
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8 COMMENDING CORPORAL KOFEE ANDERSON FOR BEING NAMED
9 THE 2016 NATIONAL D.A.R.E. OFFICER OF THE YEAR.
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11 WHEREAS, Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.),
12 is the largest and most widely known substance abuse
13 prevention and anti-violence curriculum in America; and

14 WHEREAS, D.A.R.E. teaches young people ways to
15 resist peer pressure to experiment with drugs, alcohol, and
16 gangs; and

17 WHEREAS, launched in 1983, D.A.R.E. is a
18 comprehensive K-12 education program taught in thousands of
19 schools in America and 52 other countries; D.A.R.E. curricula
20 address drugs, violence, bullying, internet safety, and other
21 high risk circumstances that today are too often a part of
22 student's lives; and

23 WHEREAS, Corporal Kofee Anderson, a 17-year veteran
24 with the department, has taught D.A.R.E. classes in rural
25 Montgomery County schools for 16 years; and

1 WHEREAS, in May 2015, it was announced that he was
2 the 2016 D.A.R.E. Officer of the Year for Alabama, in addition
3 to his everyday duties with the department; and

4 WHEREAS, Corporal Kofee Anderson's philosophy on
5 teaching kids about drug use is centered on decisions and what
6 students need to know about themselves in order to make those
7 decisions; and

8 WHEREAS, students at Catoma Elementary School in
9 Montgomery, Alabama, recognized Corporal Kofee Anderson of the
10 Montgomery County Sheriff's Office in the Super Citizen
11 Program for his significant contributions that he has made to
12 the community and the lives of those around him by naming him
13 an Alabama Super Citizen Hero; and

14 WHEREAS, Corporal Kofee Anderson and the D.A.R.E.
15 program have achieved outstanding success teaching positive
16 and effective approaches to some of the most difficult
17 problems facing our young people today, such as substance
18 abuse, violence, and gangs; now therefore,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
20 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we take great pride and
21 pleasure in commending Corporal Kofee Anderson on his
22 achievement in being named the 2016 National D.A.R.E. Officer
23 of the Year, and by copy of this resolution we convey to him
24 our congratulations and our highest esteem.