

1 HJR76
2 185986-2
3 By Representatives Johnson (K), Black, Collins and Pettus
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 18-JAN-18

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 DESIGNATING A PORTION OF ALABAMA HIGHWAY 20 AS THE
4 CHAMPIONSHIP HIGHWAY.

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6 WHEREAS, Hazlewood High School, located in Town
7 Creek in Lawrence County, was a dominating force in Alabama
8 high school athletics throughout its history; and

9 WHEREAS, Hazlewood High School holds the Alabama
10 High School Athletic Association record for the most state
11 championships in high school football and the record for the
12 most state championships in all sports with 44 total; and,

13 WHEREAS, the Hazlewood High School Golden Bears
14 became a perennial playoff contender among 1A and 2A schools,
15 winning a state record 11 championships in football, including
16 five in a row from 1988 to 1992, plus two championships in
17 girls' basketball, one in boys' basketball, and 30 in various
18 track and field events; and

19 WHEREAS, Hazlewood High School became a springboard
20 for generations of students - both athletes and non-athletes -
21 who became champions in life and achieved great personal
22 success, with many Hazlewood Golden Bears participating in
23 collegiate and professional sports and achieving great things
24 outside of sports to bring great pride to their hometown of
25 Town Creek; and

1 WHEREAS, in 2009 Hazlewood High School merged with
2 R. A. Hubbard High School, leaving only memories of the Golden
3 Bears' championship traditions and an abiding desire in the
4 community for a lasting tribute to this unparalleled legacy of
5 Alabama high school sports championships; now therefore,

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
7 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Alabama Highway 20 through the
8 corporate limits of Town Creek be designated the Championship
9 Highway: Home of the Hazlewood Golden Bears; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of
11 Transportation is requested to determine the cost of
12 fabricating and erecting the appropriate signs or markers,
13 consistent with the applicable requirements and laws, and upon
14 receiving funds from non-state sources covering that cost, to
15 erect those signs or markers as provided in this resolution in
16 recognition of this meritorious designation.

