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3 By Senators Singleton and Scofield  
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4 ENROLLED, SJR103,

5 RECOGNIZING CHRIS BEEKER ON BEING APPOINTED ALABAMA  
6 STATE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
7 AND URGING CONTINUED RURAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

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9 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture  
10 (USDA) provides multi-family affordable housing to our rural  
11 communities through its 515 program to house many of our  
12 moderate to low income citizens, elderly, and handicapped; and

13 WHEREAS, United States Congress and President Donald  
14 Trump have signed into law a new tax bill that allows rural  
15 multi-family housing to be renovated through the use of tax  
16 credits and private equity bonds; and

17 WHEREAS, private investment is allowed to  
18 participate in this rehabilitation and renovation of existing  
19 affordable multi-family housing in Alabama; and

20 WHEREAS, this program will better housing for our  
21 elderly, handicapped, and moderate to low income citizens  
22 within Alabama; and

23 WHEREAS, this program could allow hundreds of  
24 millions of dollars invested in new construction in rural  
25 areas and will provide jobs to our citizens; now therefore,

1           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
2 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we encourage Chris Beeker, the  
3 newly appointed State Director of USDA to move forward in a  
4 concerted effort to rehabilitate rural multi-family housing  
5 through the use of these new tax credits, private equity  
6 bonds, and private investment for the benefit of Alabama  
7 citizens.

8           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we commend Chris Beeker  
9 on his appointment as State Director of USDA in Alabama and we  
10 urge him to use his best efforts to secure and encourage  
11 developers to pursue alternate forms of financing such as  
12 private equity tax exempt bonds, low-income housing tax  
13 credits, and private equity funding for the rehabilitation and  
14 renovations of our rural multi-family housing to raise the  
15 quality of life for our rural elderly, handicapped, and  
16 moderate to low income citizens.

17           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this  
18 resolution shall be provided to Chris Beeker and Sonny Perdue,  
19 the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, so they may know of our  
20 support and sentiments regarding this matter.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution  
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives  
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By: Senator Singleton