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3 By Senator Ward
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4 ENROLLED, SJR98,

5 DESIGNATING JULY 1 EACH YEAR AS CAR SURFING DEATH
6 AWARENESS DAY.

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8 WHEREAS, car surfing involves the dangerous riding
9 on the outside of a moving vehicle being driven by another
10 person; the car surfer may be hitching the ride on any part of
11 the exterior, including the roof, rear, hood, side of the
12 vehicle, or may be towed by holding onto the moving vehicle
13 riding on a skateboard, bicycle, or other item; and

14 WHEREAS, the risks associated with this dangerous
15 behavior result in numerous injuries and deaths annually;
16 traumatic brain injury is the most common type of injury due
17 to the nature of an unprotected fall from a moving vehicle
18 onto pavement or asphalt; and

19 WHEREAS, for the car surfer, the unique thrill of
20 the ride and the infamy of the social media posts on YouTube
21 and elsewhere seem to be worth the recklessness of this
22 behavior; and

23 WHEREAS, young Chase Davis of Columbiana died on
24 July 1, 2017, as a result of an accident caused by car
25 surfing; and

1 WHEREAS, the public, particularly young residents,
2 should be mindful of the dangers of car surfing; now
3 therefore,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
5 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in memory of the life of Chase
6 Davis, as a continuing memorial to the many other loved ones
7 who have suffered the same fate, and as an annual reminder of
8 the tragic consequences of car surfing, July 1 each year is
9 hereby designated as Car Surfing Death Awareness Day in
10 Alabama in hopes of increasing the public's awareness of the
11 dangers of car surfing and preventing injuries and deaths
12 caused by this dangerous behavior.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 29-MAY-19
I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives
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