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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Newton (D) and Baker (A)

4 RFD: Rules

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8 COMMENDING MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTY MARCUS
9 DAVIS AS A NOMINEE FOR THE 2010 LEGISLATIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT
10 MEDAL OF HONOR.

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12 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
13 recognize Montgomery County Sheriff's Deputy Marcus Davis as a
14 nominee for the 2010 Alabama Legislative Medal of Honor for
15 Law Enforcement, Alabama's highest law enforcement award for
16 extraordinary courage in the line of duty; and

17 WHEREAS, on May 7, 2009, Montgomery experienced
18 extensive flooding and hazardous road conditions as a result
19 of approximately eight inches of rain within one hour; with
20 discerning insight and quick action, Deputy Davis succeeded in
21 effecting the rescue of a woman who was trapped inside her
22 submerged vehicle at the intersection of McGehee Road and
23 Debby Drive; and

24 WHEREAS, after overseeing the first rescue, Deputy
25 Davis remained at the scene to prevent traffic from driving
26 into the water which was flooding McGehee Road; when one
27 vehicle began sliding into the swollen waters of the drainage

1 ditch after the driver ignored the officer's warnings, Deputy
2 Davis risked his life in a desperate but unsuccessful attempt
3 to rescue the second trapped driver; a swift current pulled
4 Deputy Davis underwater and he was forced to release his grip
5 on the vehicle and swim to safety; and

6 WHEREAS, in addition to valor, Deputy Davis
7 exhibited both mental and physical fitness in extraordinary
8 circumstances to perform the duties of his office; and

9 WHEREAS, there is no greater accomplishment than the
10 successful rescue of a fellow citizen whose life is imperiled;
11 Deputy Davis is a worthy exemplar of those caring and
12 dedicated men and women who stand ever ready to provide prompt
13 and professional response in times of crisis, and he is highly
14 deserving of this distinguished nomination for the Legislative
15 Medal of Honor; now therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES
17 THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby recognize and honor
18 Montgomery County Sheriff's Deputy Marcus Davis as a nominee
19 for the 2010 Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement
20 and direct that he receive a copy of this resolution as a
21 token of our admiration and esteem.