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8 COMMENDING ALEJANDRO PENA-ESCLUSA ON HIS COURAGEOUS  
9 STAND AGAINST TOTALITARIANISM.

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11 WHEREAS, at great personal risk to himself,  
12 Alejandro Pena-Esclusa has stood firm in opposition to the  
13 spread of Marxism and totalitarianism in Latin America; and

14 WHEREAS, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa is an  
15 internationally renowned author, lecturer, and political  
16 leader, known for his staunch opposition to the gathering  
17 momentum of Castroite totalitarianism among governments and  
18 other entities in South America; he has written six books and  
19 is in high demand throughout the world for his expert  
20 commentary on the necessity of promoting the spread of  
21 Western-style democracy in Latin America and elsewhere; among  
22 his many honors and recognitions, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa has  
23 been selected to the Brazilian Academy of Philosophy and  
24 honored by Honduras with the Jose Cecilio del Valle Medal,  
25 that nation's highest award for non-citizens; and

26 WHEREAS, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa sought the  
27 presidency of Venezuela, in opposition to the notorious

1       totalitarian touchstone, Hugo Chavez, and continues to serve  
2       as an ideological and symbolic counterweight to Chavez's  
3       grievance-driven exploitation of the people of Venezuela and  
4       of broader Latin America in furtherance of the fomentation of  
5       authoritarian movements in the region; and

6               WHEREAS, President of Fuerza Solidaria (Solidarity  
7       Force), which opposes the official government of Chavez in  
8       Venezuela, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa was a central figure in the  
9       formation of UnoAmerica, a coalition of non-government  
10      organizations (NGOs), such as Fuerza Solidaria, the purpose of  
11      which is to promote freedom and democracy in Latin America, in  
12      specific opposition to the ambitions of the Sao Paulo Forum,  
13      which was formed by Fidel Castro to promote the spread of  
14      totalitarianism and to which Chavez, Evo Morales of Bolivia,  
15      Daniel Ortega of Nicaragua, and other ideological  
16      fellow-travelers belong; and

17             WHEREAS, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa's knowledge and  
18      understanding of the foregoing issues and circumstances is  
19      unsurpassed in his field; his further insight into the nexus  
20      of Islamic terrorism, drug trafficking, and totalitarian  
21      expansionism, in Latin America and around the globe, is worthy  
22      of our attention and our praise; now therefore,

23             BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
24      HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby heartily commend  
25      Alejandro Pena-Esclusa for his courageous stand in opposition  
26      to totalitarianism in Latin America and do further direct that

1       a copy of this resolution be presented to him with our highest  
2       regard and deepest gratitude.