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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Newton (D) and Baker (A)  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 04-MAR-10

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3           COMMENDING RESERVE DEPUTY JOHN CASSIDY OF THE MOBILE  
4 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS A NOMINEE FOR THE 2010 ALABAMA  
5 LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.  
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7           WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we  
8 recognize Reserve Deputy John Cassidy of the Mobile County  
9 Sheriff's Department, as a nominee for the 2010 Legislative  
10 Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement, the state's highest law  
11 enforcement award for extraordinary courage in the line of  
12 duty; and

13           WHEREAS, on April 26, 2009, in Mobile County, Mr.  
14 Cassidy participated in the high speed pursuit of a fugitive  
15 suspected in the April 25 murder of three people in Baldwin  
16 County; and

17           WHEREAS, upon intercepting the perpetrator at the  
18 intersection of Rangeline Road and Hamilton Boulevard, Mr.  
19 Cassidy, who was driving the patrol car, and Deputy John  
20 McLain engaged the perpetrator's vehicle in pursuit onto  
21 Interstate 10; during the course of the pursuit, the fugitive  
22 fired repeatedly at the Deputies with a Bushmaster WM-15  
23 assault rifle, hitting their vehicle numerous times; without  
24 concern for their lives and personal safety, Deputy Cassidy  
25 maintained pursuit and Deputy McLain returned fire; when the

1 fleeing vehicle discontinued travel, it was discovered that  
2 the fugitive had been shot and killed; and

3 WHEREAS, Deputy Cassidy is a worthy exemplar of  
4 those caring and dedicated men and women who stand ever ready  
5 to provide prompt and professional response and investigative  
6 assistance in times of crisis, and he is highly deserving of  
7 this distinguished nomination for the Legislative Medal of  
8 Honor; now therefore,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
10 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby recognize and honor  
11 Reserve Deputy John Cassidy of the Mobile County Sheriff's  
12 Department as a nominee for the 2010 Legislative Medal of  
13 Honor for Law Enforcement and direct that he receive a copy of  
14 this resolution as a token of our admiration and esteem.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in  
and was adopted by the House 09-MAR-10.

Greg Pappas  
Clerk

Senate

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23-MAR-10

Adopted