

1 HJR533
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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 TUSCALOOSA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTY WAYNE
4 WADDELL AS A NOMINEE FOR THE 2010 ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF
5 HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.
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7 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
8 recognize Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Deputy Wayne Waddell as
9 a nominee for the 2010 Alabama Legislative Medal of Honor for
10 Law Enforcement, Alabama's highest law enforcement award for
11 extraordinary courage in the line of duty; and

12 WHEREAS, on March 7, 2009, around 10:25 p.m., Deputy
13 Waddell responded to a call involving a vehicle accident on
14 Highway 140 near the Sipsey Valley River, the vehicle had gone
15 off the roadway and was partially submeragaed in the swamp;
16 when informed that the driver's three-year-old child had been
17 missing for approximately 20 minutes, Deputy Waddell
18 immediately entered the frigid water to begin searching for
19 the child; after several minutes, he spotted the child about
20 30 yards downstream, swam to the location, and carried the
21 unresponsive child to the shoreline, where he then assisted
22 first responders who began CPR; and

23 WHEREAS, Deputy Waddell combined courage with expert
24 skills to save the life of a child; with his quick thinking
25 and selfless action, he maintained the ultimate level of

1 professionalism, dedication, and concern for the citizens he
2 so proudly serves; and

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

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

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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

23-MAR-10

Adopted