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3 By Representative Grimes  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 09-FEB-10

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3           COMMENDING THOMAS ALEXANDER SLUIS ON SUCCESS IN THE  
4 2010 SPELLING BEE.

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6           WHEREAS, it is with great pleasure that  
7 commendations and congratulations are extended to an  
8 outstanding young Alabamian, Thomas Alexander "T. A." Sluis,  
9 on his success in the 2010 Montgomery County Spelling Bee; and

10           WHEREAS, a fifth grader at Trinity Presbyterian  
11 School, he won the privilege of representing Trinity  
12 Presbyterian School after competing against 23 other students  
13 in grades five through eight, the first time a fifth grader  
14 had won the school contest and progressed to the county level;  
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16           WHEREAS, he studied words of Latin, Greek, Spanish,  
17 German, Asian, Dutch, Arabic, and other origins for more than  
18 30 hours during the weeks before the contests, and his hard  
19 work was rewarded when he finished sixth among approximately  
20 30 participants; and

21           WHEREAS, among the words he spelled correctly were  
22 newfangled, androcentric, rouge, sayonara, and alliteration,  
23 before falling victim to salmonella, the word that eluded him;  
24 and

1               WHEREAS, his impressive achievement at such a young  
2               age bodes well for the future, and his loyal supporters look  
3               forward to next year's competition; with his keen intellect  
4               and commitment to excellence, Thomas Alexander Sluis is the  
5               source of justifiable pride to his family, the school, and the  
6               entire community; now therefore,

7               BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
8               HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Thomas Alexander Sluis is  
9               honored and commended upon his success in the 2010 Montgomery  
10              County Spelling Bee, and this resolution is offered in highest  
11              tribute to him along with heartiest congratulations and best  
12              wishes in future endeavors.

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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 11-FEB-10.

Greg Pappas  
Clerk

Senate

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