

1 HJR547
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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Newton (D) and Baker (A)
4 RFD:
5 First Read: 09-MAR-10

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING HEADLAND POLICE INVESTIGATOR DEXTER
4 HAMMOND AS THE POSTHUMOUS RECIPIENT OF THE 2010 LEGISLATIVE
5 MEDAL OF HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.
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7 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we pay
8 tribute to Headland Police Investigator Dexter Hammond as the
9 posthumous recipient of the prestigious 2010 Legislative Medal
10 of Honor for Law Enforcement, Alabama's highest law
11 enforcement award for extraordinary courage in the line of
12 duty; and

13 WHEREAS, on April 24, 2009, Henry County experienced
14 the most tragic event in its law enforcement history; while
15 answering a routine dispatched call, Deputy Ted Yost was
16 seriously injured when he encountered a crazed assailant and
17 was shot twice in the face with a 12-gauge shotgun; the
18 incident took place in a remote area of Henry County, and when
19 a distress call reported a fallen officer, Investigator Dexter
20 Hammond was among those who responded to the call; he was
21 fatally wounded in an exchange of gunfire with the assailant,
22 who was then killed by law enforcement officers; and

23 WHEREAS, there is no greater accomplishment than to
24 sacrifice one's life in courageous defense of the lives of
25 others; Investigator Dexter Hammond personified the finest

1 qualities of those caring and dedicated men and women who
2 stand ever ready to provide prompt and professional response
3 in times of crisis, and he is highly deserving of being
4 awarded the Legislative Medal of Honor posthumously; now
5 therefore,

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
7 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby recognize and honor
8 Headland Police Investigator Dexter Hammond as the posthumous
9 recipient of the 2010 Legislative Medal of Honor for Law
10 Enforcement and direct that his family receive a copy of this
11 resolution as a token of our admiration and esteem.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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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