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8 COMMENDING GOVERNOR BLAIRO BORGES MAGGI FOR
9 LEADERSHIP AND VISION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE OF MATO
10 GROSSO, BRAZIL.
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12 WHEREAS, it is with great pleasure that highest
13 commendation is extended to Blairo Borges Maggi, the esteemed
14 Governor of the State of Mato Grosso in Brazil, for his
15 leadership and vision in the development of Mato Grosso; and

16 WHEREAS, Blairo Maggi was born in Sao Maguiel do
17 Iguacu, State of Parana, and is the son of the pioneer Andre
18 Maggi Antonio and Lucia Borges Maggi; he is married to Mrs.
19 Terezinha Maggi and has three children; he earned a degree in
20 Agronomy from the Federal University of Parana; and

21 WHEREAS, in the 1970s, his family moved to Mato
22 Grosso and his parents decided to invest in the agricultural
23 potential of the Brazilian Cerrado, a sparsely populated and
24 previously inhospitable region; in 1973, the family founded
25 the Seeds Maggi Company to produce soybeans; the business grew
26 into the current Amaggi Group, the largest producer and
27 exporter of soybeans in Brazil; having inherited his father's

1 business expertise, Blairo Maggi took over administration of
2 the Amaggi Group and emerged in both the business world and in
3 politics; and

4 WHEREAS, Blairo Maggi was a candidate for governor
5 of Mato Grosso in 2002 and was elected in the first round with
6 51 percent; as governor, he put into practice a new philosophy
7 of public management, inspired by his experience in the
8 private sector, focusing on transparency in the use of public
9 resources along with a constant search for efficiency and a
10 dedication to actions of great social importance; and

11 WHEREAS, boasting the highest confidence and
12 prestige of the population of Mato Grosso, Governor Blairo
13 Maggi, now in his second term being reelected with 65.39
14 percent of the votes, has established efficient public
15 policies and transformed the State of Mato Grosso into a
16 prosperous and growing economy; the social welfare is above
17 the average of the other Brazilian states, which improved the
18 quality of life of its people, diminished social inequalities,
19 and consequently the crime rate; and

20 WHEREAS, the capital of Mato Grosso, Cuiaba, is one
21 of the Brazilian cities that will host games for the Soccer
22 World Cup 2014; Mato Grasso will inherit along with the Soccer
23 World Cup a new stadium, new roads, hospitals, and a modern
24 hotel; in addition, Mato Grosso is destined to become an
25 appealing new tourist center; the governor and his staff are
26 working together to prepare the city to welcome people from

1 all over the world and to make this huge event remarkable in
2 the history of soccer and in Mato Grosso's history; and

3 WHEREAS, as an example of public manager, he was
4 listed by Forbes Magazine as one of the 67 most influential
5 men in the world; he managed to change the view that the
6 international community had of the State of Mato Grosso
7 regarding deforestation, showing that it is possible to grow
8 crops and create wealth without harming the environment; with
9 his spirit of entrepreneurship, he implemented in the State of
10 Mato Grosso a strong action in defense of the environment,
11 acquiring the respect and admiration of renowned
12 environmentalists and international organizations; now
13 therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
15 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Blairo Borges Maggi, the
16 esteemed Governor of the State of Mato Grosso in Brazil, is
17 honored and commended for his outstanding record of
18 achievement and service, and this resolution is offered in
19 tribute to him along with best wishes in future endeavors.