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3 By Representative Robinson (J)  
4 RFD:  
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8 COMMENDING GENE AIRHEART FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE  
9 AS A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II.

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11 WHEREAS, we note with pride and gratitude that Gene  
12 Airheart of Scottsboro has been honored with a Bronze Star  
13 Medal and the Military Order of the Purple Heart for his  
14 distinguished service during World War II; and

15 WHEREAS, born in Tennessee, Mr. Airheart moved to  
16 Scottsboro with his family at the age of nine months; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Airheart entered the United States Army  
18 in 1944 and was assigned to the 7th Army 36th Division with  
19 the 141st Infantry; on November 28, 1944, he was wounded in  
20 the right arm and left leg, resulting in fractures and other  
21 injuries that required multiple surgeries; and

22 WHEREAS, in addition to the Bronze Star and Purple  
23 Heart, Mr. Airheart is a recipient of numerous combat ribbons  
24 and citations for meritorious service; and

25 WHEREAS, we are humbled by the courage, service, and  
26 sacrifice of the men and women who go in harm's way wearing  
27 the uniform of the United States Armed Forces; Mr. Airheart is

1 an exemplar of the finest tradition of our nation's military;  
2 now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
4 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we hereby commend Mr. Gene  
5 Airheart for distinguished service as a member of the United  
6 States Army during World War II and that, by copy of this  
7 resolution, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for his  
8 sacrifices in service to his country.