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8 COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA'S GYMNASTIC  
9 TEAM ON WINNING A FIFTH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with great pride and pleasure that  
12 the Alabama Legislature recognizes the University of Alabama's  
13 Gymnastic Team on winning the SEC Championship and a fifth  
14 NCAA National Championship in Cleveland, Ohio, on April 16,  
15 2011; and

16 WHEREAS, the Crimson Tide barely edged out defending  
17 champion UCLA as the drama built to the final rotation  
18 featuring Alabama on the floor and UCLA on the beam with  
19 Alabama prevailing by the smallest of margins to win the  
20 coveted national crown; and

21 WHEREAS, Kayla Hoffman, the lone performing senior  
22 and the Southeastern Conference Gymnast of the year, finished  
23 off the championship quest with a near perfect floor routine  
24 for the No. 2 ranked Crimson Tide squad; and

25 WHEREAS, the University of Alabama's Gymnastic team  
26 was again superbly coached by Sarah Patterson who likewise won

her fifth national championship with her last coming in 2002; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the University of Alabama's Gymnastic Team is recognized, honored, and commended for its dedication, determination, and will-to-win spirit which culminated in winning the 2011 NCAA Gymnastics Championship, and will be provided a copy of this resolution, in sincere tribute and esteem, for appropriate presentation and display with best wishes for future success.