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3 By Senators Singleton, Allen, Beasley, Beason, Bedford,
4 Blackwell, Brewbaker, Brooks, Bussman, Coleman, Dial, Dunn,
5 Fielding, Figures, Glover, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahay,
6 Marsh, McGill, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford,
7 Scofield, Smith, Smitherman, Taylor, Waggoner, Ward, Whatley
8 and Williams
9 RFD:
10 First Read: 21-APR-11

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4 ENROLLED, SJR93,

5 NAMING A PORTION OF HIGHWAY 11 IN GREENE COUNTY THE
6 MATTHEW LEONARD HIGHWAY.

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8 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the Alabama
9 Legislature names a portion of Highway 11 in Greene County
10 from the county line at Knoxville to the Sumter County line in
11 honor of Matthew Leonard, a Congressional Medal of Honor
12 Recipient who was born in Eutaw, Alabama, on November 26,
13 1929; and

14 WHEREAS, Matthew Leonard married his childhood
15 sweetheart, Lois, and they had five children; he served in the
16 Korean War and in Vietnam while in the United States Army; and

17 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Matthew Leonard was
18 killed in action on February 28, 1967, while serving as
19 platoon Sergeant near Suio Da, South Vietnam; and

20 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Matthew Leonard
21 received America's highest military decoration, the Medal of
22 Honor, for his actions in Vietnam; his wife, Lois, was
23 presented with his Medal of Honor by President Lyndon B.
24 Johnson during a ceremony at the Pentagon on December 19,
25 1968; and

1 WHEREAS, indeed, it is befitting that a portion of
2 Highway 11 in Greene County from the county line at Knoxville
3 to the Sumter County line be named the Matthew Leonard Highway
4 as an enduring and lasting tribute to his ultimate sacrifice
5 for the citizens of Alabama and the United States; now
6 therefore,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
8 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That a portion of Highway 11 in
9 Greene County from the county line at Knoxville to the Sumter
10 County line be named the Matthew Leonard Highway and that the
11 proper officials are requested to place and maintain markers
12 designating the Matthew Leonard Highway as provided in this
13 resolution.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
15 resolution be provided to the family of the late Matthew
16 Leonard so that this meritorious designation is known.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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9 I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
10 originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

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17 House of Representatives

18 Adopted: 26-APR-11

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21 By: Senator Singleton