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3 By Senators Taylor, Smitherman, Williams, Beason, Sanford,
4 Holtzclaw, Whatley, Dial, Ward, Blackwell, Fielding, Waggoner,
5 Allen, Brewbaker, Dunn, Keahey, Irons, Beasley, Ross, Pittman,
6 Marsh, Smith, Holley, Scofield, and McGill
7 RFD:
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8 COMMENDING ALL SERVICEMEN AND SERVICEWOMEN FOR
9 COURAGE AND DETERMINATION IN SEEKING OUT OSAMA BIN LADEN.
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11 WHEREAS, we take great pride and pleasure in
12 commending and expressing appreciation to all American
13 servicemen and servicewomen and particularly the Navy SEALs
14 who executed a flawless operation and persevered with
15 determination, sacrifice, and courage to seek out the hiding
16 place of Osama Bin Laden and bring him to justice; and

17 WHEREAS, young American servicemen and servicewomen
18 risk their lives every day both at home and in other lands to
19 protect this country and its citizens; thousands of service
20 members serving in Iraq and Afghanistan have homes and
21 families in Alabama who serve valiantly on the homefront; and

22 WHEREAS, indeed, with a sense of duty and dedication
23 in defense of others, individuals fighting for our freedom in
24 Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere, represent the ultimate in
25 personal sacrifice and it is appropriate and proper to honor
26 them for making our great State of Alabama and our nation a
27 better place for all; and

1 WHEREAS, without seeking nor desiring any public
2 credit, the Navy SEALs with the Joint Special Operations
3 Command have become our government's most effective and lethal
4 weapon against terrorists and their networks; spending hours
5 and months of grueling practice raids and trial runs; the
6 unusual collection of special-missions units used highly
7 advanced and classified technology to transform bits of
8 information into actionable intelligence; and

9 WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature notes with deep
10 gratitude the incalculable sacrifices and contributions made
11 by all American servicemen and servicewomen who make our
12 military the powerful force it is today through courage,
13 perseverance, and sacrifice; they are deserving of highest
14 praise and deepest appreciation for their unwavering
15 commitment to duty; now therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
17 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and most
18 highly commend all servicemen and servicewomen of the United
19 States, including those in the clandestine service, for their
20 determination, sacrifice, courage and professionalism in
21 prosecuting the War on Terror.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That with a deep sense of
23 gratitude, we acknowledge and thank former President George W.
24 Bush for his decisiveness and determination to prosecute the
25 War on Terror and for pursuing justice on behalf of the
26 victims of September 11, 2001, and President Barack Obama for
27 seeing that justice was carried out.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
2 resolution be forwarded to former President George W. Bush,
3 President Barack Obama, the Chair of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
4 of the U.S. Armed Forces, and the members of the Alabama
5 Congressional Delegation.