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3 By Senators Waggoner, Smitherman and Beason  
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4 ENROLLED, SJR126,

5 COMMENDING THE INNOVATION DEPOT ON BEING NAMED  
6 INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY INCUBATOR FOR THE YEAR 2011.

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8 WHEREAS, the Innovation Depot is a not-for-profit  
9 business incubation program located in downtown Birmingham;  
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11 WHEREAS, the Innovation Depot is a public-private  
12 economic development organization that encourages the  
13 successful development of high-growth technology  
14 entrepreneurial companies in the Birmingham Region; and

15 WHEREAS, the Innovation Depot currently houses 76  
16 high-growth, early stage companies employing 425 individuals;  
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18 WHEREAS, the Innovation Depot is a partner with the  
19 University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), and houses  
20 businesses that are developed from research and technology  
21 that is licensed from UAB and also offers space to many other  
22 high-growth potential technology companies; and

23 WHEREAS, the development of the Innovation Depot  
24 program and facility has been financially sponsored by the  
25 City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, UAB, the Hugh Kaul

1 Foundation, the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham and  
2 other leading foundations, the Birmingham regional business  
3 community, and the US Department of Commerce Economic  
4 Development Administration; and

5 WHEREAS, the Innovation Depot is credited with more  
6 than one billion dollars of economic impact in the Birmingham  
7 Region over the past four years; and

8 WHEREAS, the Innovation Depot has been named by the  
9 National Business Incubation Association, which has members  
10 representing 66 countries, as the Technology Incubator of the  
11 Year for 2011; now therefore,

12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
13 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That it is a great privilege to  
14 honor and commend the Innovation Depot and, by copy of this  
15 resolution, we convey our heartiest congratulations on being  
16 named Technology Incubator of the Year and extend best wishes  
17 for continuing success.

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

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Patrick Harris  
Secretary

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House of Representatives

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By: Senator Waggoner