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3 By Senators Allen, Beasley, Beason, Bedford, Blackwell,
4 Brewbaker, Brooks, Bussman, Coleman, Dial, Dunn, Fielding,
5 Figures, Glover, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahen, Marsh,
6 McGill, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford, Scofield,
7 Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Taylor, Waggoner, Ward, Whatley
8 and Williams

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4 ENROLLED, SJR135,

5 CONGRATULATING THE COALBED METHANE ASSOCIATION OF
6 ALABAMA ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY.

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8 WHEREAS, Alabama is blessed with abundant natural
9 resources, including natural gas in coal; and

10 WHEREAS, Alabama is recognized worldwide as the site
11 where technology and innovation came together to create a new
12 energy industry; and

13 WHEREAS, more than 25 years ago pioneers in the
14 coalbed methane industry gathered as an operators group to
15 promote the orderly development of Alabama's natural gas
16 resources in coal; and

17 WHEREAS, this operators group worked with the State
18 Oil and Gas Board on the first rules specifically regulating
19 the new coalbed methane industry; and

20 WHEREAS, investment in the development of the
21 coalbed methane industry resulted in the creation of jobs and
22 economic development of benefit to Alabama; and

23 WHEREAS, on June 5, 1986, the Coalbed Methane
24 Association of Alabama was incorporated in order to continue
25 the improvement of technology, promotion of investment in

1 Alabama and to continue the orderly development of the
2 resource; and

3 WHEREAS, in the 25 years since the formation of the
4 Coalbed Methane Association of Alabama, its members have
5 invested more than \$3 billion and employed thousands to
6 develop the resource; and

7 WHEREAS, the members of the Coalbed Methane
8 Association of Alabama have supported the communities in which
9 they operate with education grants, scholarships, and
10 sponsorships; and

11 WHEREAS, natural gas from coal is one of the major
12 sources of natural gas in Alabama and will continue to be a
13 significant source of energy for decades to come; now
14 therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
16 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we congratulate the Coalbed
17 Methane Association of Alabama and its members on the occasion
18 of the 25th Anniversary of the association and direct that
19 copies of this resolution be prepared for appropriate
20 presentation.

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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 Allen