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3 By Representative Boman
4 RFD: Rules
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8 COMMENDING JONATHAN CUNNINGHAM, THE ALABAMA STATE
9 WINNER IN THE 2010 BONNIE PLANTS THIRD GRADE CABBAGE PROGRAM.

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11 WHEREAS, we are pleased to recognize Jonathan
12 Cunningham for being the Alabama winner in the 2010 Bonnie
13 Plants Third Grade Cabbage Program; and

14 WHEREAS, this year, more than 1.5 million third
15 graders in 45 states participated in the National Bonnie
16 Plants Cabbage Program in which students receive "oversized"
17 cabbage plants to nurture and care for in anticipation of
18 being named the state winner and receiving a \$1,000
19 scholarship toward education; and

20 WHEREAS, the Bonnie Plants Cabbage Program exposes
21 children to the joys of gardening and provides a safe
22 environment for students to experience nature while
23 discovering the cycles of life and developing an enhanced
24 understanding of our environment; and

25 WHEREAS, a third grader at Vernon Intermediate
26 Elementary, Jonathan was notified by Alabama Agriculture and
27 Industries Commissioner Ron Sparks that his 13-pound cabbage

1 had been chosen as the state's winner in the National Bonnie
2 Plants Cabbage Program; and

3 WHEREAS, Jonathan grew the colossal cabbage in his
4 grandparents' garden, which holds special significance because
5 his grandfather, who assisted him with caring for the cabbage,
6 passed away last year; and

7 WHEREAS, this exemplary young student indeed brings
8 great honor to himself, his school, and community and is
9 deserving of highest praise for his accomplishment; now
10 therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Jonathan Cunningham is honored
13 and commended for his achievement as the Alabama winner in the
14 2010 Bonnie Plants Third Grade Cabbage Program, and this
15 resolution is offered in highest tribute to him with best
16 wishes for future endeavors.