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2 131690-2  
3 By Representative Ford  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 24-MAY-11

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING GOVERNOR ROBERT BENTLEY AND STAFF FOR  
4 THEIR RESPONSE TO THE TORNADO OUTBREAK ON APRIL 27, 2011.

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6 WHEREAS, Governor Robert Bentley declared a State of  
7 Emergency as a result of the devastating tornado outbreak in  
8 Alabama on April 27, 2011; and

9 WHEREAS, Governor Bentley mobilized approximately  
10 1,400 Alabama National Guardsmen and numerous state agencies  
11 to provide emergency assistance to the Alabama counties  
12 impacted by the severe weather outbreak; and

13 WHEREAS, Governor Bentley activated the Governor's  
14 Recovery Response Center in the State Capitol as a central  
15 resource to help citizens obtain the information and resources  
16 they needed in the aftermath of the storm; and

17 WHEREAS, Governor Bentley established the Governor's  
18 Emergency Relief Fund to help Alabamians with unmet recovery  
19 needs that continue to unfold; and

20 WHEREAS, Governor Bentley and his staff worked  
21 tirelessly around the clock to assist the citizens of this  
22 state adversely affected by the tornadoes; and

23 WHEREAS, Governor Bentley and his staff have  
24 coordinated the work of the countless state employees under

1 the direction of his cabinet who continue to provide public  
2 safety and human services to the survivors of the storm; and

3 WHEREAS, Governor Bentley and his staff's swift and  
4 competent response has been a beacon of light in the sea of  
5 this disaster, giving hope to survivors of this unprecedented  
6 storm; now therefore,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
8 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Governor Robert Bentley and  
9 staff are honored and commended for demonstrating exceptional  
10 leadership in the wake of the tornado outbreak that struck the  
11 state on April 27, 2011.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
13 resolution be provided to our good friend and former  
14 colleague, Governor Robert Bentley, with admiration and  
15 appreciation for his efforts and those of his staff, cabinet,  
16 and other dedicated employees of the State of Alabama.

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4 Speaker of the House of Representatives

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6 President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

7 House of Representatives

8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in  
9 and was adopted by the House 31-MAY-11.

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Greg Pappas  
Clerk

Senate

01-JUN-11

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