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3 By Representatives Bracy and Buskey  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 16-FEB-12

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 HONORING ULYSSES S. REED, JR.

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5 WHEREAS, it is with great pride and pleasure that we  
6 recognize Ulysses S. Reed, Jr.; and

7 WHEREAS, a native of Mobile, Alabama, he attends  
8 Holmes Street Missionary Baptist Church in Prichard, Alabama,  
9 and is a devoted family man who has been married for 24 years  
10 to Gwendolyn Lang Reed and is the proud father of four  
11 children; and

12 WHEREAS, he is a highly decorated veteran who served  
13 with honor and distinction in the United States Army for 13  
14 years with three combat tours in Vietnam, and he was honored  
15 with three Bronze Star Medals for Heroism, the Army  
16 Commendation Medal for Heroism, the Air Medal for Meritorious  
17 Achievement While Participating in Aerial Flight, and the  
18 Purple Heart Medal; he received his honorable discharge in  
19 1975, holding the rank of Staff Sergeant; and

20 WHEREAS, he is a retiree of the United States Postal  
21 Service, where he was a letter carrier for 28 years, and he  
22 remains an active member of the National Association of Letter  
23 Carriers Postal Union, serving 10 years as financial  
24 secretary; during his employment, he received several awards

1 for superior performance including the Expert Driver Award for  
2 25 years of exceptional safe driving; and

3 WHEREAS, Noble Ulysses S. Reed, Jr., began his  
4 Masonic career when he was raised in Clarence Kimbrough Lodge  
5 111, Augsburg, Germany, in 1974, and created in Aswan Temple  
6 115, Frankfurt, Germany, in 1975; and

7 WHEREAS, upon his return to Mobile, he transferred  
8 his membership to Palestine Temple 18 and all other Masonic  
9 Houses; his love of Shrinedom is well-known throughout the  
10 Imperial Domain; he was appointed Deputy of the Oasis in 1992  
11 and received the Deputy of the Oasis Award for that year; he  
12 was appointed Deputy of the Desert in 1993 and has served  
13 diligently; he is a loyal and dedicated member of the Deep  
14 South Shrine Coalition, having served as president, and is  
15 presently enjoying serving as Chief Negotiator; during his  
16 tenure as president, he was the first to suggest "A Joint  
17 Hospitality" for The Deep South, a highly anticipated event  
18 scheduled at the 119th Imperial Session in New Orleans,  
19 Louisiana; and

20 WHEREAS, through the years, he has earned respect  
21 for his exceptional abilities and tireless dedication, and he  
22 is truly deserving of special recognition on the occasion of  
23 the annual Desert Conference meeting in March 2012 in  
24 Montgomery, Alabama; now therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
2 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Ulysses  
3 S. Reed, Jr., for his outstanding achievements, and this  
4 resolution is offered in admiration and appreciation to him,  
5 along with best wishes for continuing success in all future  
6 endeavors.

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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 21-FEB-12.

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Greg Pappas  
Clerk

Senate

28-FEB-12

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