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3 By Representative Morrow
4 RFD: Rules
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8 HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE TORNADO VICTIMS IN PHIL
9 CAMPBELL, ALABAMA.

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11 WHEREAS, on April 27, 2011, the EF5 tornado that
12 devastated Alabama reached its peak in the Phil Campbell
13 community of Franklin County; and

14 WHEREAS, this storm was one of the most destructive
15 tornadoes in United States history and the worst natural
16 disaster ever to hit the State of Alabama; and

17 WHEREAS, the National Weather Service estimated the
18 tornado to have winds in excess of 210 miles per hour with a
19 path more than 1.25 miles wide when it reached Phil Campbell;
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21 WHEREAS, a memorial is planned to honor those whose
22 lives were taken in Phil Campbell and East Franklin, in the
23 hope of giving peace and solitude to a community that lost so
24 much in the devastating storm; and

25 WHEREAS, it is impossible to chronicle the
26 far-reaching community contributions of those who are now lost
27 to us except in memory, and we can only imagine the

possibilities inherent in these lives that were already marked by accomplishment; we can only be appreciative of what they meant to us, as individuals, day-by-day; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in recognition of the memorial planned to honor the tornado victims in the Phil Campbell community of Franklin County, we convey our admiration and appreciation for this worthy endeavor and, it is directed that a copy of this resolution be provided for appropriate presentation and display.