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4 ENROLLED, SJR56,

5 RECOGNIZING THE BEEF INDUSTRY IN THE NATION AND THE
6 STATE OF ALABAMA.

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8 WHEREAS, with demand for United States red meat at
9 an all-time high, beef exports finished the year 2011 at 1.287
10 million metric tons valued at \$5.42 billion, breaking the
11 previous volume record of 1.274 million metric tons
12 established in 2003 and easily surpassing the 2010 value
13 record of \$4.08 billion; and

14 WHEREAS, export volume in 2011 was 21 percent larger
15 than in 2010, with value up 33 percent; and

16 WHEREAS, exports to Japan surged 27 percent in
17 volume and 37 percent in value, while exports to Korea grew by
18 37 percent in volume and about 33 percent in value, and the
19 United States took significant market share from Australia;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, the success of the beef industry is
22 credited to a combination of factors including marketing tools
23 to showcase the quality and consistency of United States
24 products, which the industry is able to deliver at a very
25 competitive price; and

1 WHEREAS, opportunities exist for further growth, and
2 the United States Meat Export Federation is committed to
3 capitalize on the strong momentum; and

4 WHEREAS, the State of Alabama represents a
5 significant component of the beef industry, to the benefit of
6 the people of Alabama and the state's economic growth; now
7 therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
9 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we commend the success of the
10 United States beef industry in the world marketplace, and it
11 is directed that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mr.
12 Phil Senz, CEO for the Meat Export Federation, as evidence of
13 the admiration and appreciation of the people of the State of
14 Alabama.

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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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9 I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
10 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 Whatley