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3 By Senators Coleman, Smitherman, Bedford, Sanders, Allen,  
4 Beasley, Beason, Blackwell, Brewbaker, Bussman, Dial, Dunn,  
5 Fielding, Figures, Glover, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahey,  
6 Marsh, McGill, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanford, Scofield,  
7 Singleton, Smith, Taylor, Waggoner, Ward, Whatley and Williams  
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4 ENROLLED, SJR26,

5 CELEBRATING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF ATTORNEYS TO THE  
6 CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT.  
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8 WHEREAS, the role of lawyers and judges in Alabama  
9 in 1963 and afterward was vital to the progress of the Civil  
10 Rights Movement in securing equality of opportunity and  
11 justice; and

12 WHEREAS, a number of attorneys of great integrity  
13 worked tirelessly, using their knowledge, skills, talent, and  
14 the legal system on a Journey for Justice; and

15 WHEREAS, a film commemorating these heroes has been  
16 developed by Emmy award-winning producer Mike Letcher in  
17 partnership with The University of Alabama Center for Public  
18 Television and is scheduled to debut at the Journey for  
19 Justice Gala on May 4, 2013, sponsored by the Birmingham Bar  
20 Foundation, the Magic City Bar Association, and the Birmingham  
21 Bar Association; and

22 WHEREAS, the honorees include Harvey Burg, The  
23 Honorable U.W. Clemon, J. Mason Davis, Paul Johnston, Clarence  
24 Jones, The Honorable Demetrius C. Newton, Vernon Patrick, The  
25 Honorable J. Richmond Pearson, and W.L. Williams, with

1 posthumous homage being paid to The Honorable Oscar W. Adams,  
2 Jr., Norman Amaker, James K. Baker, Abe Berkowitz, Orzell  
3 Billingsley, Jerome "Buddy" Cooper, Edward Friend, Jr., The  
4 Honorable Peter A. Hall, Charles Hamilton Houston, The  
5 Honorable Frank M. Johnson, The Honorable Tom King, Sr., The  
6 Honorable Thurgood Marshall, The Honorable Nina Miglionario;  
7 Charles M. Morgan, the Honorable Constance Baker Motley, The  
8 Honorable Arthur D. Shores, C. Erskine Smith, The Honorable  
9 Robert Vance, and David Vann; and

10 WHEREAS, many of these names are venerated and some  
11 have gone unheralded, but all made significant contributions  
12 to the Civil Rights struggle and are deserving of highest  
13 commendation as role models and sources of inspiration for  
14 future generations of lawyers and judges; now therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
16 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That it is a privilege to honor the  
17 Journey for Justice Project and the documentary film  
18 celebrating the legal heroes of the Civil Rights Movement, and  
19 this resolution is offered in admiration and appreciation to  
20 the 50th Anniversary Commemoration Committee with heartiest  
21 congratulations on the film's debut and best wishes in future  
22 worthy endeavors.

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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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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution  
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris  
Secretary

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House of Representatives  
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By: Senator Coleman