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3       By Senator Waggoner  
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4 ENROLLED, SJR60,

5 URGING THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE TO  
6 CONTINUE THE SPORT OF WRESTLING AS A CORE SPORT OF THE SUMMER  
7 OLYMPIC GAMES.  
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9 WHEREAS, the Executive Board of the International  
10 Olympic Committee has proposed eliminating the sport of  
11 wrestling from the Summer Olympic Games beginning in 2020,  
12 which proposal remains to be approved or disapproved by the  
13 full committee at its September 2013 general assembly; and

14 WHEREAS, wrestling was one of the original sports of  
15 the ancient Greek Olympic Games and of the first modern  
16 Olympic Games; and

17 WHEREAS, wrestling has been a traditional strength  
18 of the United States Olympic team, with 124 medals having been  
19 awarded to the United States throughout the history of the  
20 modern games; and

21 WHEREAS, the sport of wrestling builds great  
22 strength not only of body, but also of character, including,  
23 the virtues of self-confidence, self-discipline, courage, and  
24 sportsmanship; and

1           WHEREAS, wrestling has produced many outstanding  
2   national leaders, including Presidents, United States Supreme  
3   Court Justices, United States Senators, Members of Congress,  
4   and business and military leaders, as well as many outstanding  
5   civic leaders; and

6           WHEREAS, wrestling provides mainstream opportunities  
7   to athletes of all physical builds and body sizes, including  
8   blind, deaf, and physically handicapped student athletes who  
9   may not otherwise have the opportunity to participate in  
10   athletics; now therefore,

11           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
12   HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we urge the International  
13   Olympic Committee to continue the sport of wrestling as a core  
14   sport of the Summer Olympic Games.

15           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we thank the United  
16   States Olympic Committee for its support of wrestling, and  
17   urge the committee to work actively toward maintaining Olympic  
18   wrestling.

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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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