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3 By Senators Dial, Ward and Whatley
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4 ENROLLED, SJR122,

5 ENCOURAGING THE CREATION OF THE SOUTHEASTERN UNITED
6 STATES-SOUTH KOREAN ECONOMIC COUNCIL.

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8 WHEREAS, the Republic of South Korea has created and
9 expanded numerous industrial efforts throughout the
10 Southeastern United States, creating an annual cash flow to
11 the region of approximately \$20 billion; and

12 WHEREAS, Alabama alone has experienced a dramatic
13 economic impact from Hyundai and Kia, their suppliers, service
14 providers, and other directly related companies; and

15 WHEREAS, South Korean employers provide \$1.5 billion
16 annually in compensation for Alabama employees with an
17 estimated 20,000 Alabamians employed directly by Korean
18 employers at an average annual salary of \$77,722; and

19 WHEREAS, Korean employers provide numerous
20 additional Alabamians employment from all areas of industries
21 to support Hyundai/Kia related businesses including
22 construction industries, professional service industries, and
23 other service industries such as transportation, energy,
24 utilities, and marketing; and

1 WHEREAS, a unified Southeastern United States effort
2 of cooperation with South Korea would be beneficial to both
3 the Southeast U.S. region and South Korea; now therefore,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
5 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we encourage the creation of a
6 Southeastern United States and South Korean Economic Council
7 to promote new and continued trade, economic, and workforce
8 relationships; to encourage the joint effort of the
9 Southeastern United States to join together as a region to
10 support and cooperate with the Republic of South Korea for
11 mutual benefit particularly relating to economic concerns, to
12 retain and support the prosperity of existing businesses, and
13 to encourage cultural and educational exchange.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Lieutenant Governor
15 should serve as the initial chair of the council and shall
16 serve as host of an organizational meeting to coordinate with
17 the Southeastern Legislative Conference in the formulation of
18 the council, and the state Secretary of Commerce should serve
19 as vice chair.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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

House of Representatives
Adopted: 20-MAY-13

By: Senator Dial