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3 By Representative Morrow
4 RFD: Rules
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8 COMMENDING EAN THOMAS HAYES FOR OUTSTANDING
9 ACHIEVEMENT AT CAMP COURAGE.
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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Ean
12 Thomas Hayes is recognized for his outstanding achievement as
13 a trailblazer at Camp Courage in October 2013 at Ivy Green,
14 the historic birthplace of Helen Keller, in Tuscumbia,
15 Alabama; and

16 WHEREAS, Ean Thomas Hayes is a 10-year-old
17 fifth-grader at R.E. Thompson School, where he is an
18 exceptional student whose ambition is to be a writer of short
19 stories or creator of video games; he was selected to be a
20 member of the inaugural session of Camp Courage, which
21 encompassed educational, social, and inspirational activities
22 including arts and crafts, music, drama, field trips, and
23 discussions; and

24 WHEREAS, Ean Thomas Hayes is admired for his humor
25 and vivacious personality, and his interests beyond the realm
26 of video games include a love of pets, especially cats; and

1 WHEREAS, Camp Courage is an intensive, broad-based,
2 three-day program for visually impaired and hearing impaired
3 children between the ages of 7 and 14; the camp is sponsored
4 by the Helen Keller Birthplace Foundation and the American
5 Optometric Association Foundation, in conjunction with the
6 University of North Alabama and the University of Alabama at
7 Birmingham; and

8 WHEREAS, at a young age, Ean Thomas Hayes has earned
9 respect for his diligent pursuit of excellence, and he is
10 truly deserving of special recognition; now therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Ean Thomas Hayes is hereby
13 most highly honored and commended, and this resolution is
14 offered with heartiest congratulations on his accomplishments
15 as a trailblazer at Camp Courage, along with best wishes for
16 continuing success far into the future.