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2 157601-2  
3 By Representative Morrow  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 30-JAN-14

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3                   COMMENDING JAMES W. PORTER, II, AS NEW PRESIDENT OF  
4 THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

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6                   WHEREAS, James W. "Jim" Porter, II, was elected to  
7 the presidency of the National Rifle Association at a crucial  
8 time in the organization's history, having previously served  
9 with dedication in other roles of leadership; and

10                  WHEREAS, a resident of Birmingham, Alabama, Jim  
11 Porter received a Bachelor's Degree from The University of  
12 Alabama in 1971 and a Law Degree from the Cumberland School of  
13 Law; while in law school, he spent a summer working in the  
14 office of legal counsel for the NRA in Washington, D.C., and  
15 he went on to an exemplary career as a litigator; and

16                  WHEREAS, in 2009, Jim Porter was elected First Vice  
17 President of the NRA Board of Directors and had earlier served  
18 as Second Vice President and President of the NRA Foundation  
19 Board of Trustees; and

20                  WHEREAS, he follows a distinguished family  
21 tradition, as the son of Irvine C. Porter, who served as NRA  
22 President, 1959-1961; and

23                  WHEREAS, the NRA brings together more than five  
24 million members with shared interests in conservation,  
25 hunting, and how to safely handle firearms; and

1                   WHEREAS, Jim Porter took the helm of the NRA in May  
2 2013 during a time of vigorous debate over gun control and  
3 affirmed the organization's position that the best way to deal  
4 with violent crime is to enforce the laws against criminals;  
5 and

6                   WHEREAS, Jim Porter also placed emphasis on the  
7 NRA's hunting and conservation components; among his  
8 contributions, he has been active in the reauthorization of  
9 Alabama's Forever Wild Land Trust and has directed national  
10 attention to our great state's natural beauty and variety of  
11 wildlife; and

12                  WHEREAS, Jim Porter has promoted responsible gun  
13 ownership as a means of setting forth a number of very good  
14 life lessons, chief among them individual responsibility and  
15 respect for others; and

16                  WHEREAS, Jim Porter is nationally esteemed for his  
17 exceptional abilities and tireless dedication to the defense  
18 of the Second Amendment, and he is truly deserving of special  
19 recognition; now therefore,

20                  BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
21 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That James W. "Jim" Porter, II, is  
22 herein most highly honored and commended, and this resolution  
23 is offered with heartiest congratulations to him on his  
24 election as President of the National Rifle Association and  
25 with best wishes for the future.

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4 Speaker of the House of Representatives

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6 President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in  
9 and was adopted by the House 12-FEB-14.

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Jeff Woodard  
Clerk

Senate

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