

1 HR209  
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3 By Representative Wood  
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8 COMMENDING PAUL HAMMOND FOR HIS MERITORIOUS SERVICE  
9 IN THE CANINE SERVICES INDUSTRY.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly  
12 extended to Paul Hammond for his meritorious service in the  
13 canine services industry; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Hammond, who has over 25 years of  
15 operational working dog experience, directed canine program  
16 units for high profile government organizations including the  
17 Department of State and the Department of Defense in Iraq and  
18 Afghanistan for eight years; he served with the British Army  
19 Dog Unit in Northern Ireland for 15 years; and

20 WHEREAS, he contributes expert guidance and  
21 leadership as the Vice President of Canine Services for  
22 AMK9-iK9, LLC in Anniston, Alabama, which is a global firm  
23 that trains and sells working dogs and offers canine training  
24 to defense organizations, law enforcement, and private  
25 security; iK9 recruits, develops, trains, and integrates  
26 handlers and dogs to better serve those seeking working dog  
27 solutions; and

1                   WHEREAS, AMK9-iK9 has trained over 400 teams of  
2 canines and handlers that are stationed in Iraq and  
3 Afghanistan; the exceptional organization and its founders  
4 entered into a strategic partnership with Auburn University  
5 and its Canine Detection Research Institute (CDRI) to form a  
6 one of a kind dog company that combines working dog operations  
7 with canine science applications; through diligence, hard  
8 work, and dedication to community service, AMK9-iK9 trained  
9 the first courthouse dog in the state in 2013; and

10                  WHEREAS, Mr. Hammond also serves as a Canine Program  
11 Consultant for the Aegis Group and launched K9Employment.com,  
12 the largest working dog handler database in the world  
13 connecting the canine recruitment industry; and

14                  WHEREAS, through the years, Mr. Hammond has earned  
15 immense respect for his exceptional abilities and unwavering  
16 commitment to the defense of freedom and democracy; he is  
17 truly deserving of special recognition; now therefore,

18                  BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
19 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Paul Hammond is highly  
20 honored and commended, and this resolution is presented to him  
21 in deepest admiration and appreciation, along with sincere  
22 best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.