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8 COMMENDING OFFICER JONATHAN ROBBINS OF THE
9 BIRMINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT AS A NOMINEE FOR THE 2014 ALABAMA
10 LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.

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12 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
13 recognize Officer Jonathan Robbins of the Birmingham Police
14 Department as a nominee for the 2014 Alabama Legislative Medal
15 of Honor for Law Enforcement, Alabama's highest law
16 enforcement award for extraordinary courage in the line of
17 duty; and

18 WHEREAS, on December 1, 2013, Officer Robbins, along
19 with Officers Travis Hendrix and Henry Higgins, arrived to
20 provide backup for Officer Demarcus Mitchell who, while
21 traveling north bound on I-59 at the interchange of I-65, had
22 noticed a pedestrian purposely positioning himself to be stuck
23 by oncoming vehicular traffic; and

24 WHEREAS, the pedestrian had stepped over the railing
25 of a bridge and threatened to commit suicide if Officer
26 Mitchell did not keep his distance; while striving to calm the

1 pedestrian, Officer Mitchell was able to advance closer and
2 grab the pedestrian who was still over the railing; and

3 WHEREAS, Officer Robbins, along with Officers
4 Hendrix and Higgins, sprang into action and grabbed Officer
5 Mitchell and the male subject to prevent both from falling
6 over the edge; and

7 WHEREAS, Officer Robbins' noble demonstration of
8 deft-thinking, bravery, and immense dedication to duty
9 preserved lives; and

10 WHEREAS, Officer Robbins is a worthy exemplar of
11 those caring and dedicated men and women who stand ever ready
12 to provide prompt and professional response in times of
13 crisis, and he is highly deserving of this distinguished
14 nomination for the Legislative Medal of Honor for Law
15 Enforcement; now therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
17 we hereby recognize and honor Birmingham Officer Jonathan
18 Robbins as a nominee for the 2014 Legislative Medal of Honor
19 for Law Enforcement and direct that he receive a copy of this
20 resolution as a token of our admiration and esteem.