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3 By Representative Hall  
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8 DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 27, 2015, AS APPRECIATION DAY  
9 FOR FIRST RESPONDERS IN ALABAMA.

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11 WHEREAS, nationally there have been over 20,000  
12 officers killed in the line of duty; over 500 officers have  
13 been killed in Alabama in the line of duty and many first  
14 responders lose their lives each year; and

15 WHEREAS, every 58 hours, a law enforcement officer  
16 loses his or her life in the line of duty; and

17 WHEREAS, as of November 2014, 74 firefighters had  
18 lost their lives in the line of duty; and

19 WHEREAS, first responders take risks each time they  
20 respond to a call; and

21 WHEREAS, the citizens of Alabama wish to express  
22 their deepest gratitude to the first responders who selflessly  
23 serve Alabamians; we are proud to recognize first responders  
24 and our appreciation for their skills, dedication, and  
25 compassion; now therefore,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
27 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we take pride in designating

1 September 27, 2015, as First Responders' Appreciation Day in  
2 the State of Alabama and we direct that a copy of this  
3 resolution be provided for appropriate public display so that  
4 they may know how greatly they are valued.