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3 By Representative Warren  
4 RFD: Rules  
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8 COMMENDING FIRST LADY MICHELLE LAVAUGHN ROBINSON  
9 OBAMA FOR DELIVERING THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS AT TUSKEGEE  
10 UNIVERSITY AND WELCOMING HER TO THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

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12 WHEREAS, it is our utmost honor and privilege to  
13 commend First Lady Michelle LaVaughn Robinson Obama for  
14 delivering the commencement address at Tuskegee University on  
15 May 9, 2015, and welcome her to the State of Alabama; and

16 WHEREAS, Mrs. Obama will stir ambition in the hearts  
17 and minds of the Tuskegee University Class of 2015 with an  
18 uplifting commencement address before the accomplished  
19 students embark on a thrilling new life chapter filled with  
20 untold potential in conjunction with her effort, the Reach  
21 Higher Initiative, which is designed to inspire every student  
22 in America to take charge of their future by completing their  
23 education past high school, whether at a professional training  
24 program, a community college, or a four-year college or  
25 university; and

1                   WHEREAS, Mrs. Obama, a lawyer, writer, and the wife  
2 of the 44th and current President, Barack Obama, has followed  
3 a noble life calling to serve and enrich the lives of others  
4 and better communities and has emerged as a role model for  
5 women and an advocate for poverty awareness, higher education,  
6 and healthy living; an integral part of her career has  
7 entailed working with youth, the future leaders of our great  
8 nation, and promoting service; she first and foremost  
9 identifies herself as the mother of her two daughters, Malia  
10 and Shasha; and

11                   WHEREAS, Mrs. Obama's address to the graduating  
12 class of 2015 will bestow further honor upon Tuskegee  
13 University, which has the distinctions of being the first  
14 black college to be designated as a Registered National  
15 Historic Landmark and the only black college to be designated  
16 a National Historic Site and is an educational treasure not  
17 only to the State of Alabama, but to the entire nation; now  
18 therefore,

19                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
20 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That First Lady Michelle LaVaughn  
21 Robinson Obama is highly honored and commended, and it is  
22 directed that a copy of this resolution shall be offered to  
23 her as a warm welcome and a token of our deepest gratitude.