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8 COMMENDING COLONEL WILLIAM L. MARKS, II, FOR HIS
9 EXEMPLARY PUBLIC SERVICE AND HONORING HIS DISTINGUISHED
10 HISTORY OF MILITARY SERVICE.
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12 WHEREAS, it is with great pleasure that highest
13 commendation is extended to Colonel William L. Marks, II,
14 Garrison Commander United States Army Garrison, Redstone
15 Arsenal, Alabama; following graduation from the University of
16 South Alabama in 1990, he went on to serve in the United
17 States Army with exceptional commitment and competence for
18 more than 28 years in various roles; and

19 WHEREAS, with assignments throughout the United
20 States, Colonel Marks has had unit assignments, command
21 experience, and operational assignments; his awards and
22 decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious
23 Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation
24 Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement
25 Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal,
26 Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on

1 Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Ranger
2 Tab, Parachutist Badge, and the Air Assault Badge; and

3 WHEREAS, Colonel Marks has been married to the
4 former Laurie T. Quick for almost 20 years and together they
5 have two sons, William L. Marks, III, and Jacob J. Marks; and

6 WHEREAS, Colonel Marks has served as the Commander
7 United States Army Garrison, Redstone Arsenal since July 11,
8 2013, and will be retiring on July 12, 2016; in that capacity
9 he has served Team Redstone consisting of over 40,000
10 soldiers, civilians, families, and retirees in a diverse
11 community; his contributions to the installation and the
12 surrounding community will have significant and lasting impact
13 for many years; and

14 WHEREAS, his distinguished military career has been
15 filled with outstanding duty performance, selfless service,
16 and superior leadership that reflect great credit upon Colonel
17 Marks and the United States Army; and

18 WHEREAS, a man of strong character, noble ideals,
19 and unquestionable integrity, Colonel Marks's service to
20 Redstone Arsenal, the citizens of Alabama, and the United
21 States has influenced many; Colonel Marks has succeeded in
22 compiling an impressive record of career and civic
23 achievements, a record that has earned for him the admiration
24 and respect of those persons who have had the privilege of
25 association with him; now therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
2 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we hereby honor and commend
3 Colonel William L. Marks, II, for his many accomplishments and
4 notable record of public service, and this resolution is
5 offered in highest tribute to him along with best wishes as he
6 begins his well-deserved retirement years.