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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

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, a man of strong character, noble ideals, and unquestionable integrity, Colonel Marks's service to Redstone Arsenal, the citizens of Alabama, and the United States has influenced many; Colonel Marks has succeeded in compiling an impressive record of career and civic achievements, a record that has earned for him the admiration and respect of those persons who have had the privilege of 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.