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5 Brown, Buskey, Butler, Carns, Chesteen, Clarke, Clouse,
6 Coleman, Collins, Crawford, Daniels, Davis, Drake, Drummond,
7 England, Farley, Faulkner, Faust, Fincher, Ford, Forte, Fridy,
8 Garrett, Gaston, Givan, Greer, Grimsley, Hall, Hammon, Hanes,
9 Harbison, Harper, Henry, Hill (J), Hill (M), Holmes (A),
10 Holmes (M), Howard, Hubbard, Hurst, Ingram, Jackson, Johnson
11 (K), Johnson (R), Jones, Knight, Lawrence, Ledbetter, Lee,
12 Lindsey, Martin, McCampbell, McClammy, McCutcheon, McMillan,
13 Melton, Millican, Mooney, Moore (B), Moore (M), Morrow,
14 Nordgren, Patterson, Pettus, Polizos, Poole, Pringle, Rich,
15 Robinson, Rogers, Rowe, Sanderford, Sells, Sessions, Shedd,
16 Shiver, South, Standridge, Todd, Treadaway, Tuggle, Wadsworth,
17 Warren, Weaver, Whorton (I), Whorton (R), Wilcox, Williams
18 (JD), Williams (JW), Williams (P), Wingo and Wood
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20 First Read: 12-APR-16

8 RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE STEEL INDUSTRY.
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10 WHEREAS, the steel industry is an economic
11 powerhouse that ignites employment, job creation, and progress
12 worldwide; and

13 WHEREAS, steel is an integral component of economic
14 forces including trucks and autos, energy production and
15 transmission, transportation infrastructure, public safety
16 infrastructure, and a broad range of military applications;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, notably, the dynamic steel sector directly
19 employs about 150,000 people in the United States, including
20 9,239 jobs generated in Alabama, and either directly or
21 indirectly supports more than one million United States jobs;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, for more than two years, finished steel
24 imports have been flooding into the United States at
25 historically high levels; and, in 2015, finished steel imports

1 attained an all-time high record by capturing 29 percent of
2 the United States market; and

3 WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate to highlight
4 a consistently thriving sector that profoundly impacts the
5 great State of Alabama and the United States of America; now
6 therefore,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
8 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby urge Alabama's
9 federal elected officials in Washington, D.C., including
10 President Barack Obama, U.S. Senators, Richard Shelby and Jeff
11 Sessions, and members of the U.S. House of Representatives to
12 continue to fight for strong enforcement of our nation's trade
13 laws to level the playing field with China and other
14 countries, and taking whatever action necessary to protect the
15 domestic steel industry from unfair foreign competition.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we urge the United
17 States Department of Commerce to maintain China's "non-market
18 economy" status, which preserves the ability of U.S. companies
19 and American workers to access domestic trade remedy laws.