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3 By Representative Davis
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8 ANNOUNCING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21ST AS RESOURCE
9 CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT WEEK.
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11 WHEREAS, the Resource Conservation and Development
12 Program is a partnership between the Alabama Soil and Water
13 Conservation Committee, the Alabama Commission on Higher
14 Education, the Alabama Legislature, and local people and the
15 agencies of the United States Department of Agriculture
16 established in 1964 to conserve and utilize natural and human
17 resources to solve locally identified problems; and

18 WHEREAS, currently, nine RC and D Councils exist in
19 Alabama; and

20 WHEREAS, the nine councils of the Resource
21 Conservation Development Program in Alabama are: the
22 Alabama-Tombigbee Council, the Cawaco Council, the Coosa
23 Valley Council, the Mid-South Council, the Northwest Alabama
24 Council, the Gulf Coast Council, the Alabama Mountains Rivers
25 Valleys Council, the Tombigbee Council, and the Wiregrass
26 Council; and

1 WHEREAS, the RC and D Program annually supports 450
2 projects statewide serving approximately 650,000 Alabama
3 citizens by creating direct and indirect jobs, including new
4 technology, workforce development, emergency response,
5 education, natural resource conservation, recreational
6 activity, and infrastructure enhancement; and

7 WHEREAS, the Resource Conservation and Development
8 Program envisions vibrant Alabama communities in harmony with
9 the environment by allowing local leaders decision making
10 authority in project selection; and

11 WHEREAS, Alabama's RC and D Councils depend on the
12 leadership abilities of the local 67 Alabama Soil and Water
13 Conservation Districts, county commissions, volunteers, and
14 the unique skills the community leaders possess; and

15 WHEREAS, the councils are committed to protecting,
16 enhancing, and developing the great State of Alabama's natural
17 and human resources; and

18 WHEREAS, it is a tremendous privilege to recognize
19 the invaluable services provided by RC and D Councils and the
20 important role they play in rural and urban development as
21 well as natural resource conservation; now therefore,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
23 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the extraordinary efforts of
24 the RC and D Councils are highly honored and commended, and we
25 hereby recognize the week of September 21-25 as Resource
26 Conservation and Development Week.