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3 By Representative Clouse
4 RFD: Rules
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8 HONORING ALL FIRST RESPONDERS IN THE CITIES OF
9 DOTHAN AND OZARK AND DALE AND HOUSTON COUNTIES.
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11 WHEREAS, we take great pride in continuing the
12 "Honoring Our Heroes" Program, a salute to Alabamians working
13 or volunteering as First Responders, including Firefighters,
14 Law Enforcement, and Emergency Medical Personnel within the
15 Cities of Dothan and Ozark and Counties of Dale and Houston,
16 who have served or continued to serve by protecting Alabama
17 citizens; and

18 WHEREAS, the ASF Foundation, a nonprofit
19 organization established in 1982 at the request of the United
20 States Olympic Committee, and founder of the Alabama State
21 Games, held its first Olympic-style games in 1983 and will
22 celebrate its 35th Anniversary in 2017; while awarding some
23 \$290,210 in academic scholarships, the organization instills
24 ethical values with a main focus on health, academics,
25 athletics, and good citizenship, while encouraging patriotic
26 pride; and

1 WHEREAS, in a continuing effort to honor all First
2 Responders within the Cities of Dothan and Ozark and Dale and
3 Houston Counties, the ASF Foundation, the Governor's
4 Commission on Physical Fitness, and the Alabama Legislature
5 are partnering to express their profound appreciation and
6 gratitude on First Responder's Day, June 9, 2017, in the
7 Cities of Dothan and Ozark and Counties of Dale and Houston;
8 this occasion coincides with the Opening Day of the 2017
9 Alabama State Games XXXV, during which the event's Opening
10 Ceremony will include a momentous tribute to First Responders,
11 televised from the National Peanut Festival Fairgrounds in
12 Dothan, where a special ASF Foundation Honor Our Heroes
13 Distinguished Service Medal will be presented to eligible
14 First Responders in attendance at the Opening Ceremony; and

15 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that all Alabamians
16 recognize and commend the tremendous services performed by
17 First Responders who demonstrate daily bravery for providing
18 safety for all residents of the State; now therefore,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
20 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That on behalf of all citizens of
21 our great state, we join the ASF Foundation and the Governor's
22 Commission on Physical Fitness in recognizing and honoring
23 Alabamians working or volunteering as First Responders,
24 including Firefighters, Law Enforcement, and Emergency Medical
25 Personnel within the Cities of Dothan and Ozark and Counties
26 of Dale and Houston, who have served or continue to serve by
27 Alabama citizens.

