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3 By Senators Bussman, Albritton, Allen, Beasley, Blackwell,  
4 Brewbaker, Chambliss, Coleman-Madison, Dial, Dunn, Figures,  
5 Glover, Hightower, Holley, Holtzclaw, Livingston, Marsh,  
6 McClendon, Melson, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford,  
7 Scofield, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Stutts,  
8 Waggoner, Ward, Whatley and Williams

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8 RECOGNIZING AND EXPRESSING OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE  
9 ALABAMA DENTAL ASSOCIATION AND DENTAL LIFELINE NETWORK.

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11 WHEREAS, in 1998 and almost 20 years ago, Dental  
12 Lifeline Network Alabama and the Alabama Dental Association  
13 established the Donated Dental Services (DDS) Program; and

14 WHEREAS, through the DDS Program, dentists and  
15 dental laboratories donate comprehensive treatment for people  
16 with disabilities or who are elderly or medically fragile and  
17 who cannot afford dental care; and

18 WHEREAS, two hundred fifty-two dentists and 75  
19 dental labs volunteer for the DDS Program, and they have  
20 treated over 2,000 people with disabilities or who are elderly  
21 or medically fragile with seriously neglected dental problems  
22 throughout Alabama since the program's inception; and

23 WHEREAS, the Alabama DDS Program recently surpassed  
24 a landmark milestone of supplying \$5 million in donated dental  
25 services through the generosity and benevolence of dentists  
26 and laboratories throughout the State of Alabama and

1           nationally the DDS Program has provided more than \$350 million  
2           in donated dental services nationwide; and

3           WHEREAS, the strength and success of the State of  
4           Alabama, the vitality of our communities, and the  
5           effectiveness of society depend, in great measure, upon  
6           concerned and devoted programs as exemplified by the Alabama  
7           Donated Dental Services Program; now therefore,

8           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA BOTH  
9           HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby congratulate and  
10          express our profound gratitude to the Alabama Dental  
11          Association, Dental Lifeline Network Alabama and the hundreds  
12          of DDS volunteer dentists and dental laboratories who have  
13          provided more than \$5 million in donated dental care to these  
14          vulnerable people in Alabama who would not otherwise receive  
15          comprehensive dental treatment.

16          BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this  
17          resolution be transmitted to Dental Lifeline Network Alabama  
18          and the Alabama Dental Association.