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13 Moore (P), Morris, Nordgren, Oliver, Pettus, Poole, Pringle,
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15 Scott, Sells, Shaver, Shedd, Shiver, Simpson, Sorrell,
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17 Treadaway, Wadsworth, Warren, Weaver, Wheeler, Whitt, Whorton,
18 Wilcox, Wingo, Wood (D) and Wood (R)

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 PROCLAIMING APRIL 30, 2019, AS ALABAMA ALZHEIMER'S
4 AWARENESS DAY AND COMMENDING THE ALABAMA CHAPTER OF THE
5 ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION FOR ITS WORK IN FIGHTING ALZHEIMER'S
6 DISEASE AND DEMENTIA.

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8 WHEREAS, Alzheimer's Disease is a progressive
9 neurodegenerative brain disorder that tragically robs
10 individuals of their memories and leads to progressive mental
11 and physical impairments; and

12 WHEREAS, there are no known treatments to prevent,
13 cure, delay the onset, or slow the progression of Alzheimer's
14 Disease; and

15 WHEREAS, Alzheimer's Disease is the 6th-leading
16 cause of death in the United States; every 65 seconds, someone
17 in the United States develops Alzheimer's Disease; and

18 WHEREAS, Alzheimer's Disease is the most costly
19 disease in the United States; the cost of Alzheimer's Disease
20 to Alabama's Medicaid program is \$896 million, with that
21 number projected to rise to \$1.114 billion by 2025; and

22 WHEREAS, an estimated 94,000 Alabamians aged 65 and
23 older have Alzheimer's Disease, with that number projected to
24 grow to 110,000 Alabamians by 2025; and

1 WHEREAS, currently an additional 305,000 Alabama
2 caregivers also bear the burden of the disease in our state
3 with 347 million hours of unpaid care being provided by them
4 at an estimated value of \$4.392 billion in Alabama; and

5 WHEREAS, according to the Alzheimer's Association
6 2019 Disease Facts and Figures report, 5.8 million Americans
7 of all ages are living with Alzheimer's Disease and dementia
8 in 2019, with that number projected to grow to 14 million
9 Americans by the year 2025 without advancements in research,
10 prevention, treatments, or a cure; and

11 WHEREAS, the direct costs to American society of
12 caring for those with Alzheimer's is valued at \$290 million,
13 with that number projected to grow to \$1.1 trillion by 2050
14 without advancements in research, prevention, treatments, or a
15 cure; and

16 WHEREAS, Alzheimer's Disease and dementia touch
17 everyone, either through being personally affected or through
18 family members and friends being affected; and

19 WHEREAS, the mission of the Alzheimer's Association
20 is to eliminate Alzheimer's Disease and other types of
21 dementia through the advancement of research, the promotion of
22 brain health, and the enhancement of care and support for all
23 individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and dementia, as well as
24 their families and caregivers; and

1 WHEREAS, the efforts of the Alzheimer's Association
2 to raise funds and to promote awareness and research to fight
3 Alzheimer's Disease and other types of dementia help improve
4 the quality of human life for those living with Alzheimer's
5 Disease and dementia and for their caregivers as well; and

6 WHEREAS, Tuesday, April 30, 2019, is Alzheimer's
7 Advocacy Day at the Alabama State House, and this is a most
8 appropriate day to recognize Alabama Alzheimer's Awareness Day
9 in support and recognition of the individuals, families,
10 friends, and caregivers dealing with Alzheimer's Disease and
11 dementia, as well as the researchers who are seeking a cause
12 and a cure; and

13 WHEREAS, all members of the Alabama Legislature are
14 encouraged to wear purple, the color of Alzheimer's Awareness,
15 on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, in support of all who are battling
16 Alzheimer's Disease and dementia; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That April 30, 2019, is proclaimed
19 to be Alabama Alzheimer's Awareness Day, and we commend the
20 Alabama Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association for its work in
21 fighting this terrible disease and in advocating for people
22 living with Alzheimer's Disease and dementia, as well as their
23 caregivers.

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4 Speaker of the House of Representatives

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6 President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

7 House of Representatives

8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
9 and was adopted by the House 11-APR-19.

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Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

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