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8 DESIGNATING THE DAUPHIN ISLAND SEA LAB AS THE  
9 OFFICIAL "AQUARIUM OF ALABAMA."

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11 WHEREAS, the research and educational programs of  
12 the Dauphin Island Sea Lab, established as the administrative  
13 home for the Alabama Marine Environmental Sciences Consortium,  
14 serve the citizens of all of Alabama's 67 counties; and

15 WHEREAS, the mission of the Dauphin Island Sea Lab  
16 is to serve the general needs of these citizens, all levels of  
17 government, and the academic community by improving ocean  
18 literacy and providing the best available science for coastal  
19 policy, including the production and dissemination of  
20 knowledge regarding world oceans, coastal zones, and  
21 watersheds; the training of future generations of oceanic and  
22 coastal scientists; and the enhancement of public  
23 understanding and stewardship of oceanic and coastal  
24 resources; and

25 WHEREAS, the Dauphin Island Sea Lab serves this  
26 mission, in part, by providing an exciting and educational  
27 public aquarium whose visual and virtual interactive exhibits,

1                   public events, and public excursions highlighting the  
2                   remarkable diversity of life have been observed by over one  
3                   million students and other visitors since its opening in 1998;  
4                   now therefore,

5                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
6                   HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That this body designates the  
7                   Dauphin Island Sea Lab Estuarium as the official "Aquarium of  
8                   Alabama."

9                   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this body requests the  
10                  appropriate officials to place and maintain signs or markers  
11                  reflecting the designation provided in this resolution.