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3 By Representative Ingram
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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING DR. DAVID THRASHER FOR OUTSTANDING
4 PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT.
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6 WHEREAS, it is with much appreciation that we
7 recognize exceptional leaders who have improved the lives of
8 Alabamians, and who have distinguished themselves through
9 their professional contributions; and

10 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
11 recognize Dr. David Thrasher, a board certified pulmonologist
12 and the Director of Respiratory Therapy at Jackson Hospital in
13 Montgomery, Alabama, who has honorably served the state as one
14 of the primary sources of accurate and reliable information
15 regarding the COVID-19 pandemic in Alabama; and continues to
16 be a front-line fighter for COVID-19 patients in Montgomery
17 and surrounding counties; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Thrasher treated Alabama's first
19 COVID-19 patient placed on a ventilator; early in the
20 pandemic, he became an advocate for preventive measures to
21 stem community spread of the virus, partnering with community
22 leaders to enlist their support and leadership in stopping the
23 spread of COVID-19 across the River Region; when personal
24 protective equipment was scarce, he spearheaded a donation of
25 N100 respiratory masks to the Respiratory Department at

1 Jackson Hospital ensuring that each team member would receive
2 this vital piece of personal protective equipment to use while
3 treating patients; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Thrasher used television, radio, and
5 social media to advance and circulate accurate information
6 about the pandemic's impact on local emergency departments and
7 intensive care units; his social media posts about the
8 prevention and treatment of COVID-19 were shared widely and
9 were vital to the general public, medical personnel, and
10 physicians; in conjunction with physicians at The University
11 of Alabama at Birmingham, he prepared video medical briefings
12 for physicians on COVID-19 treatments; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Thrasher administered the first
14 monoclonal antibody treatments in Alabama to fight COVID-19
15 and keep patients from being hospitalized; he has now
16 successfully treated more than 1,000 patients with monoclonal
17 antibody therapy, thereby reducing the stress on hospital
18 emergency departments, intensive care units, and medical
19 personnel; now therefore,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
21 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Dr. David Thrasher is highly
22 honored and commended for his unwavering dedication to his
23 patients, his profession, and the people of the State of
24 Alabama, and this resolution is given in deepest admiration

1 and appreciation, and along with sincere best wishes for all
2 future endeavors.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 08-APR-21.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

15-APR-21

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