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3 By Senators Waggoner, Albritton, Allen, Barfoot, Beasley,  
4 Butler, Chambliss, Chesteen, Coleman-Madison, Dunn, Elliott,  
5 Figures, Givhan, Gudger, Hatcher, Holley, Jones, Livingston,  
6 Marsh, McClendon, Melson, Orr, Price, Reed, Roberts,  
7 Sanders-Fortier, Scofield, Sessions, Shelnutt, Singleton,  
8 Smitherman, Stutts, Whatley and Williams  
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RECOGNIZING MAY 2-8, 2021, AS PUBLIC SERVICE  
RECOGNITION WEEK AND COMMENDING ALL OF ALABAMA'S STATE  
EMPLOYEE WORKFORCE.

WHEREAS, the week of May 2 through May 8, 2021, is  
nationally recognized as Public Service Recognition Week to  
honor public servants for their dedication and continued  
service; and

WHEREAS, nationally millions of public servants have  
worked, and continue to work, to help the United States  
overcome the challenges from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Public Service Recognition Week provides an  
opportunity to recognize and promote the important  
contributions of public servants and to honor the diverse men  
and women who meet the needs of the State of Alabama through  
work at all levels of government and as members of the  
uniformed services; and

WHEREAS, nationally millions of individuals work in  
government service and as members of uniformed services, in

1 every state, county, and city across the United States and in  
2 hundreds of cities abroad; and

3 WHEREAS, public service is a noble calling involving  
4 a variety of challenging and rewarding professions; and

5 WHEREAS, the ability of the State of Alabama and  
6 local governments to be responsive, innovative, and effective  
7 depends on the outstanding performance of dedicated public  
8 servants; and

9 WHEREAS, Alabama benefits daily from the knowledge  
10 and skills of highly trained individuals who work in public  
11 service: Highly trained and dedicated state employees fight  
12 disease, including COVID-19, and promote better health,  
13 promote economic stability, fight crime and fires, protect the  
14 environment and the parks in Alabama, enforce laws  
15 guaranteeing equal employment opportunity and healthy working  
16 conditions, defend and secure infrastructure, help the people  
17 of the State of Alabama respond to and recover from natural  
18 disasters and pandemics, teach and work in schools and  
19 libraries, develop new technologies, improve knowledge on how  
20 the world changes, improve and secure transportation systems,  
21 and assist veterans of the Armed Forces; and

22 WHEREAS, public servants have much to offer, as  
23 demonstrated by their expertise and innovative ideas; and  
24 serve as examples by passing institutional knowledge to train  
25 the next generation of public servants; now therefore,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
27 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the week of May 2 through May

1 8, 2021, marks Public Service Recognition Week, we highly  
2 commend Alabama state employees for their outstanding  
3 contributions to the State of Alabama during Public Service  
4 Recognition Week and throughout the year during the ongoing  
5 challenges of COVID-19, and we salute government employees and  
6 members of the uniformed services for their unyielding  
7 dedication to, and enthusiasm for, public service, and we call  
8 upon a new generation to consider a career in public service  
9 as an honorable profession that is efficient and effective and  
10 serves the people of Alabama.