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3 By Representatives Wood (R), Nordgren, Brown (K), Hurst,
4 Shaver and Boyd
5 RFD: Rules
6 First Read: 22-APR-21

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 CONDEMNING ALL FORMS OF ANTI-ASIAN SENTIMENT.

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5 WHEREAS, there are 23,000,000 Asian Americans in the
6 United States, constituting seven percent of the population;
7 there are approximately 65,000 Asian Americans in Alabama; in
8 this country, over 2,000,000 Asian Americans are working on
9 the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic as first responders
10 in health care, law enforcement, transportation, and other
11 service industries; and

12 WHEREAS, acts of discrimination and hate are
13 antithetical to our values as Alabamians and Americans; it is
14 our duty to promote respect, inclusion, and a welcoming place
15 for all races, national origins, and ethnicities; and

16 WHEREAS, the people of the State of Alabama can play
17 a role in establishing a safe and welcoming environment for
18 all by intervening and reporting instances of discrimination
19 and hate; by showing kindness, love, and empathy to all
20 people; state officials, state law enforcement officials, and
21 local officials can expeditiously investigate and document all
22 credible reports of hate crimes, incidents, and threats
23 against the Asian American community and collect data to
24 document the rise of hate crimes and prosecute perpetrators;
25 and

1 WHEREAS, it is in the public interest of the
2 citizens of the State of Alabama and this great nation to
3 denounce, in the strongest terms, any hate crimes or acts of
4 discrimination or any other form of conduct that constitutes
5 racism based on ethnicity, including incitement to violence
6 resulting from COVID-19, and to encourage positive social
7 behaviors; now therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
9 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That this body condemns all acts of
10 discrimination and hate perpetrated against the Asian
11 community and all Alabamians be encouraged to assist in the
12 establishment of a safe environment for all residents of this
13 state.

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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 29-APR-21.

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