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3 By Senators Whatley, 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, Waggoner, Weaver and Williams
9 RFD:
10 First Read: 18-JAN-22

RECOGNIZING JANUARY 23-29, 2022, AS CERTIFIED
REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS WEEK IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

WHEREAS, the week of January 23 through January 29,
2022, is nationally recognized as Certified Registered Nurse
Anesthetists Week to honor Nurse Anesthetists and their
commitment to patients, their dedication to the public, and
their continued service; and

WHEREAS, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists are
advanced practice registered nurses who have provided
anesthesia care to patients in the United States for more than
150 years; Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists are among
the nation's most trusted health care professionals; and

WHEREAS, Legislation passed by the United States
Congress in 1986 made Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists
the first nursing specialty to be accorded direct
reimbursement rights by Medicare; and

WHEREAS, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists are
primary anesthesia providers in rural communities and continue

1 to be primary providers of anesthesia care to United States
2 military personnel; and

3 WHEREAS, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists
4 practice in every setting in which anesthesia is delivered,
5 including traditional hospital surgical suites, obstetrical
6 delivery rooms, critical access hospitals, ambulatory surgical
7 centers, offices of dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists,
8 pain management specialists, and many more; and

9 WHEREAS, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists are
10 qualified to make independent judgements regarding all aspects
11 of anesthesia care based on their education, training, and
12 licensure; and

13 WHEREAS, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists are
14 trusted anesthesia experts on the frontlines, caring for
15 patients safely, compassionately, and delivering specialized,
16 cost effective care to all patients, from newborns to seniors,
17 for every type of procedure; and

18 WHEREAS, Alabama benefits daily from the knowledge
19 and skills of highly trained individuals who work as Certified
20 Registered Nurse Anesthetists; they are courageously serving
21 on the frontlines of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, using
22 their skills in airway management, intubation, and ventilator
23 management care for the sickest of patients; Certified
24 Registered Nurse Anesthetists leave their homes and families
25 to travel to hospitals and facilities across the country so
26 they can assist where the need is the greatest; now therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
2 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the week of January 23 through
3 January 29, 2022, marks Certified Registered Nurse
4 Anesthetists Week; we highly commend Alabama's Certified
5 Registered Nurse Anesthetists for their outstanding
6 contributions to the State of Alabama throughout the year and
7 during the ongoing challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, and we
8 salute them for their unyielding dedication and their role in
9 providing high quality care for the people of the State of
10 Alabama.