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3 By Senators Allen, Albritton, Barfoot, Beasley, Butler,
4 Chambliss, Chesteen, Coleman-Madison, Dunn, Elliott, Figures,
5 Givhan, Gudger, Hatcher, Holley, Jones, Livingston, Marsh,
6 McClendon, Melson, Orr, Price, Reed, Roberts, Sanders-Fortier,
7 Scofield, Sessions, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smitherman, Stutts,
8 Waggoner, Weaver, Whatley and Williams
9 RFD:
10 First Read: 01-FEB-22

8 RECOGNIZING MARCH 2022 AS KIDNEY DISEASE AWARENESS
9 MONTH AND MARCH 10, 2022, AS WORLD KIDNEY DAY IN ALABAMA.
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11 WHEREAS, in an effort to increase awareness and
12 promote research to improve treatment and seek a cure, March
13 2022 is recognized as Kidney Disease Awareness Month and March
14 10, 2022 as World Kidney Day in Alabama; it is important to
15 raise public awareness and understanding of Chronic Kidney
16 Disease; it is the progressive, gradual loss of kidney
17 function which results in a decrease in the ability of the
18 kidneys to work properly; and

19 WHEREAS, it is estimated that 37 million adults in
20 the United States have Chronic Kidney Disease, and of those,
21 approximately 90 percent remain undiagnosed; and

22 WHEREAS, without diagnosis and treatment to slow its
23 progression, Chronic Kidney Disease can progress to end-stage
24 renal failure, which can be fatal unless the patient receives
25 dialysis or a kidney transplant; and

1 WHEREAS, Chronic Kidney Disease is associated with
2 more severe COVID-19 infections; COVID-19 may cause acute
3 kidney damage that can lead to dialysis or even death; and

4 WHEREAS, Kidney Disease Awareness Month provides
5 opportunities for Alabamians to become involved and increase
6 public awareness and understanding of kidney disease and could
7 lead to early diagnosis and care for some of the most
8 vulnerable populations and empower and educate those at risk
9 on how they can manage their health; now therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
11 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That March 2022 is recognized as
12 Kidney Disease Awareness Month, and March 10, 2022, as World
13 Kidney Day in Alabama; and this resolution is offered in
14 highest tribute to those impacted by the disease and we
15 encourage the cooperation and participation of all Alabama
16 citizens in the research for effective treatment and a cure.