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RECOGNIZING MAJOR GENERAL DAVID J. FRANCIS DAY IN
ALABAMA.

WHEREAS, from June 17, 2019, to July 15, 2022, Major General David J. Francis commanded the United States Army Aviation Center of Excellence at Fort Rucker, Alabama, with distinction; and

WHEREAS, Major General Francis' inspirational leadership led the United States Army Aviation Center of Excellence and Fort Rucker as a whole through the global COVID-19 pandemic, continuing to train Army Aviators, retain jobs at Fort Rucker for the local community, and allow Army leaders to react calmly and decisively during a period of an ever-changing environment; and

WHEREAS, under Major General Francis' stewardship of the Aviation Branch, Fort Rucker increased the production and number of flight students greatly supporting our nation's Army and the surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, in just three years, Major General Francis established a legacy that will ensure that Army Aviation is

1 able to meet the challenges of today and the future while
2 strengthening the support and commitment to our civilian
3 partners, communities, and families; now therefore,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
5 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That July 15, 2022, is recognized
6 as Major General David J. Francis Day in Alabama.