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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Reynolds and Baker
4 RFD:
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COMMENDING BIRMINGHAM POLICE OFFICER ANTHONY EVANS
AS A NOMINEE FOR THE 2022 ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR
FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.

WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
recognize Birmingham Police Officer Anthony Evans as a nominee
for the 2022 Alabama Legislative Law Enforcement Medal of
Honor, Alabama's highest law enforcement award for
extraordinary courage in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2021, Officer Evans, along
with Officer Michael Burnett, heroically saved the life of an
individual trapped in her vehicle due to rising flood waters;
upon arriving at the scene, the officers observed the occupied
vehicle was fully submerged in 6 to 7 feet of dark water;
without hesitation and risking a great deal of peril to their
own lives, both officers hastily swam into the rising flood
waters and valiantly retrieved the individual from the
submerged vehicle; and

WHEREAS, once the individual was in a safe area,
Officer Evans and Officer Burnett determined that she was not

1 breathing and had no pulse; after several minutes of CPR
2 administered by the Birmingham Fire and Rescue Personnel, the
3 individual regained a pulse; showing tremendous courage when
4 facing the threat of rising flood waters, these officers'
5 quick and selfless actions led to the life-saving rescue of a
6 woman in a vehicle immersed in water; and

7 WHEREAS, there is no greater accomplishment than to
8 seek to successfully rescue a fellow citizen whose life is
9 imperiled; Birmingham Police Officer Evans is a worthy
10 exemplar of those caring and dedicated men and women who stand
11 ever ready to provide prompt and professional response in
12 times of crisis, and he is highly deserving of this
13 distinguished nomination for the Legislative Medal of Honor;
14 now therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
16 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we hereby recognize and honor
17 Birmingham Police Officer Anthony Evans as a nominee for the
18 2022 Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement and a copy
19 of this resolution is a token of our high admiration and
20 esteem.