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8 URGING THE CITIZENS' STAMP ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE
9 UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO RECOMMEND A STAMP
10 COMMEMORATING THE 2014 BICENTENNIAL OF THE BATTLE OF HORSESHOE
11 BEND AND THE SIGNING OF THE TREATY OF FORT JACKSON.

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13 WHEREAS, the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee is
14 charged with recommending the issuance of stamps that portray
15 the American experience to a world audience; the Committee's
16 primary goal is to select subjects of broad national appeal,
17 including commemoration of the anniversaries of events of
18 historical significance, in multiples of 50 years; and

19 WHEREAS, on March 27, 1814, after hours of bloody
20 fighting, United States forces and Indian allies under the
21 command of General Andrew Jackson defeated the Red Stick Creek
22 Indians at Horseshoe Bend, east of what is now Alexander City,
23 Alabama; the resultant Treaty of Fort Jackson, signed on
24 August 9, 1814, ended the Creek War; and

25 WHEREAS, part of the broader British strategy in the
26 War of 1812, the Creek War was intended to set up a "neutral"
27 state to stifle American expansion; Jackson's forces

1 effectively eliminated that threat to our fledgling nation;
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3 WHEREAS, his victory in the Battle of Horseshoe
4 Bend, along with his subsequent notoriety as a result of his
5 later victory in the Battle of New Orleans, is widely regarded
6 as having generated for General Jackson the popular affection
7 necessary to ascend to the Presidency; and

8 WHEREAS, it is the sense of this body that the 2014
9 bicentennial anniversary of the Battle of Horseshoe Bend and
10 the signing of the Treaty of Fort Jackson specifically meets
11 the criteria set by the Committee for commemoration; now
12 therefore,

13 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
14 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we urge the Citizens' Stamp
15 Advisory Committee of the United States Postal Service to
16 recommend a stamp commemorating the 2014 bicentennial
17 anniversary of the Battle of Horseshoe Bend and the signing of
18 the Treaty of Fort Jackson.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
20 resolution will be provided to each member of the Committee.