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3 By Representative Guin  
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4           COMMENDING ALEJANDRO PENA-ESCLUSA ON HIS COURAGEOUS  
5 STAND AGAINST TOTALITARIANISM AND INVITING HIM TO ADDRESS A  
6 JOINT SESSION OF THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.  
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8           WHEREAS, at great personal risk to himself,  
9 Alejandro Pena-Esclusa has stood firm in opposition to the  
10 spread of Marxism and totalitarianism in Latin America; and

11           WHEREAS, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa is an  
12 internationally renowned author, lecturer, and political  
13 leader, known for his staunch opposition to the gathering  
14 momentum of Castroite totalitarianism among governments and  
15 other entities in South America; he has written six books and  
16 is in high demand throughout the world for his expert  
17 commentary on the necessity of promoting the spread of  
18 Western-style democracy in Latin America and elsewhere; among  
19 his many honors and recognitions, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa has  
20 been selected to the Brazilian Academy of Philosophy and  
21 honored by Honduras with the Jose Cecilio del Valle Medal,  
22 that nation's highest award for non-citizens; and

23           WHEREAS, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa sought the  
24 presidency of Venezuela, in opposition to the notorious  
25 totalitarian touchstone, Hugo Chavez, and continues to serve  
26 as an ideological and symbolic counterweight to Chavez's

1 grievance-driven exploitation of the people of Venezuela and  
2 of broader Latin America in furtherance of the fomentation of  
3 authoritarian movements in the region; and

4 WHEREAS, President of Fuerza Solidaria (Solidarity  
5 Force), which opposes the official government of Chavez in  
6 Venezuela, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa was a central figure in the  
7 formation of UnoAmerica, a coalition of non-government  
8 organizations (NGOs), such as Fuerza Solidaria, the purpose of  
9 which is to promote freedom and democracy in Latin America, in  
10 specific opposition to the ambitions of the Sao Paolo Forum,  
11 which was formed by Fidel Castro to promote the spread of  
12 totalitarianism and to which Chavez, Evo Morales of Bolivia,  
13 Daniel Ortega of Nicaragua, and other ideological  
14 fellow-travelers belong; and

15 WHEREAS, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa's knowledge and  
16 understanding of the foregoing issues and circumstances is  
17 unsurpassed in his field; his further insight into the nexus  
18 of Islamic terrorism, drug trafficking, and totalitarian  
19 expansionism, in Latin America and around the globe, is worthy  
20 of our attention and our praise; now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
22 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby heartily invite  
23 Alejandro Pena-Esclusa to address a joint session of the  
24 Alabama Legislature on Tuesday, March 23, 2010, at 2:00 p.m.,  
25 and do further direct that a copy of this resolution be

1        presented to him with our highest regard and deepest  
2        gratitude.

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Greg Pappas  
Clerk