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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

COMMENDING ALEJANDRO PENA-ESCLUSA ON HIS COURAGEOUS
STAND AGAINST TOTALITARIANISM AND INVITING HIM TO ADDRESS A
JOINT SESSION OF THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.

WHEREAS, at great personal risk to himself,
Alejandro Pena-Esclusa has stood firm in opposition to the
spread of Marxism and totalitarianism in Latin America; and

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

WHEREAS, Alejandro Pena-Esclusa sought the presidency of Venezuela, in opposition to the notorious totalitarian touchstone, Hugo Chavez, and continues to serve 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

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

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby heartily invite Alejandro Pena-Esclusa to address a joint session of the Alabama Legislature on Tuesday, March 23, 2010, at 2:00 p.m., 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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