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8 CONGRATULATING ERICA LEONARDI ON BEING SELECTED MISS
9 TALLADEGA COUNTY 2010.

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11 WHEREAS, we take great pride and pleasure in
12 commending Erica Leonardi on being selected Miss Talladega
13 County 2010; and

14 WHEREAS, the daughter of Robert and Cristal Leonardi
15 of Argo, she won the honor of competing in the Miss Alabama
16 contest in June as part of the Miss America Preliminaries; she
17 impressed the judges with her community service platform as
18 well as her grace and intellect and her exceptional talent;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Miss Leonardi is an outstanding student in
21 Mass Communications specializing in Broadcasting at the
22 University of Alabama at Birmingham; she is scheduled to
23 graduate in May 2010 and plans to pursue graduate studies in
24 Speech and Language Pathology; she was recently named UAB
25 Broadcaster of the Year based on her work as anchor and
26 producer for UAB Television, and she also interned at Channel
27 42 in Birmingham; among her many extracurricular activities,

1 she was selected UAB Ambassador; she is a former Golden Girl
2 at UAB and had previously been a cheerleader at the University
3 of Kentucky; and

4 WHEREAS, Miss Leonardi brings to the Miss America
5 competition a worthwhile platform of Child Literacy Awareness;
6 she is involved with Alabama Spokespersons for Better Basics,
7 a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to literary awareness and
8 intervention, with school enrichment programs designed to
9 motivate young children to read; as part of this program, more
10 than 18,000 books have been made available to schools; and

11 WHEREAS, in her young life Erica Leonardi has
12 already demonstrated capacities of leadership and qualities of
13 compassion that have enriched her community and inspired those
14 who are privileged to know her; now therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
16 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That it is a pleasure to commend
17 Erica Leonardi and congratulate her upon being selected Miss
18 Talladega County 2010, and by copy of this resolution we
19 convey our highest esteem along with best wishes throughout
20 the Miss America competition and in all future endeavors.