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3 By Senators Dixon, Barron, Beason, Bedford, Benefield, Bishop,
4 Brooks, Butler, Coleman, Denton, Dunn, Erwin, Figures, French,
5 Glover, Holley, Keahey, Little (T), Little (Z), Marsh, Means,
6 Mitchell, Mitchem, Orr, Penn, Pittman, Poole, Preuitt, Ross,
7 Sanders, Sanford, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, and Waggoner
8 RFD:
9 First Read: 11-FEB-10

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4 ENROLLED, SJR59,

5 RECOGNIZING THE NOTABLE PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF
6 RAY SCOTT OF PINTLALA, ALABAMA, BY DESIGNATING A PORTION OF
7 I-65 SOUTH BETWEEN THE HOPE HULL EXIT AND THE PINTLALA EXIT,
8 THE RAY SCOTT HIGHWAY.

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10 WHEREAS, with great pride, we recognize and honor
11 Ray Scott of Pintlala, Alabama, and desire to commemorate his
12 notable professional achievements by naming a highway in his
13 honor; and

14 WHEREAS, one stormy March day in 1967, Ray Scott's
15 vision for a competitive fishing tournament forever changed
16 the sport of fishing and created a new bass fishing industry,
17 spawning numerous bass fishing heroes, and providing the
18 leadership to conserve the fishing resources; and

19 WHEREAS, in June 1967, Ray Scott's first
20 All-American Invitational Bass Tournament lured 106 anglers
21 from 15 states; his idea of getting the "good ole boys"
22 interested in the bass fishing sport and making it a club
23 birthed the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society (B.A.S.S.) which
24 succeeded beyond anyone's wildest imagination; and

1 WHEREAS, from a beginning of four names on a 4 x 5
2 card in a metal box to over 650,000 worldwide members,
3 BASSMASTER Magazine carries Ray Scott's bass fishing message
4 around the globe, even attracting the following of former
5 President George H. W. Bush; and

6 WHEREAS, Ray Scott was publisher of BASSMASTER,
7 Southern Outdoors, and Fishing Tackle Retailer Magazines; he
8 was also the founder of the Whitetail Institute of North
9 America, Inc., and producer of the award-winning national
10 television series, "The BASSMASTERS," the highest rated
11 program on The Nashville Network; and

12 WHEREAS, some of the more recent honors bestowed
13 upon the legendary Ray Scott include being named an inductee
14 for the 2003 Horatio Alger Awards for Distinguished Americans,
15 a prestigious award for having overcome humble beginnings and
16 adversity to achieve both personal and professional success;
17 elected to the Board of Trustees of the International Gamefish
18 Association; inducted into the 2002 National Boating Safety
19 Hall of Fame; first inductee into The Professional Bass
20 Fishing Hall of Fame; Field and Stream's "Twenty Who Made A
21 Difference"; inducted into the 1990 Alabama Sports Hall of
22 Fame; and numerous other awards; now therefore,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
24 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That with great honor we recognize
25 Ray Scott of Pintlala, Alabama, for his notable professional

1 achievements and vision, and hereby designate a portion of
2 I-65 South between the Hope Hull exit and the Pintlala exit,
3 The Ray Scott Highway.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
5 resolution be presented to Ray Scott as a momento of this
6 honorable designation.

7 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the proper officials are
8 hereby requested to erect and maintain signs indicating this
9 designation.

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President Pro Tempore and Presiding Officer of
the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

McDowell Lee
Secretary

House of Representatives
Adopted: 18-FEB-10

By: Senator Dixon