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3 By Senator Irons
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 07-APR-11

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4 ENROLLED, SJR73,

5 COMMENDING THE ALABAMA RENAISSANCE FAIRE IN FLORENCE
6 ON ITS SILVER ANNIVERSARY.

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8 WHEREAS, commendations and congratulations are
9 herein extended to the Alabama Renaissance Faire in Florence
10 on the occasion of celebrating its Silver Anniversary; and

11 WHEREAS, in October 1987, the first Renaissance
12 Month was observed in Florence, Alabama, culminating in a
13 two-day Renaissance Faire, an event so favorably received and
14 so successful as to be accorded the Pride of the Shoals Award;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, through the years, the Alabama Renaissance
17 Faire has flourished and developed into a major tourist
18 attraction that has been named one of the top 20 events in the
19 southeast by the Southeast Tourist Society in Atlanta; and

20 WHEREAS, held in Wilson Park, which is renamed
21 Fountain-on-the Green for the Faire, the event draws 35,000 to
22 40,000 people each year to its site in downtown Florence on
23 the fourth Saturday and Sunday in October; and

24 WHEREAS, as the Faire has grown, so have the other
25 events which surround it during the Renaissance Month of

1 October; among the annual events are musical programs, public
2 lectures, dramatic performances, art exhibits, and dance
3 programs, all of the highest quality; and

4 WHEREAS, one of the major events is an authentic
5 Medieval/Renaissance Feast, held in a baronial hall and
6 featuring food, costumes, and entertainment appropriate to the
7 Renaissance era; and

8 WHEREAS, the planners of the Faire also find
9 creative ways to incorporate the observance into the schools
10 with such programs as art exhibits, sonnet-writing contests,
11 and poster-design competition; and

12 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the official Alabama
13 Renaissance Faire be located in Florence, Alabama, which was
14 named for Florence, Italy, the founding city of the
15 Renaissance movement in Europe during the 14th Century; now
16 therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we take great pleasure in
19 extending highest commendations and heartiest congratulations
20 to the Alabama Renaissance Faire in Florence on the momentous
21 occasion of celebrating its Silver Anniversary in October
22 2011.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
24 resolution be provided for appropriate presentation and
25 display, along with best wishes for the continuing success of

1 this outstanding event that is the source of justifiable pride
2 to the City of Florence and the entire State of Alabama.

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President 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.

Patrick Harris
Secretary

House of Representatives
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