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3 By Representative Holmes
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8 COMMENDING PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA FOR BRINGING OSAMA
9 BIN LADEN TO JUSTICE.

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11 WHEREAS, we take great pride as a nation and state
12 in commending and expressing appreciation to President Barack
13 Obama in bringing Osama bin Laden to justice; and

14 WHEREAS, Osama bin Laden was the key person
15 responsible for the deaths of 2,977 persons from over 90
16 countries on September 11, 2001; and

17 WHEREAS, the victims include 87 people on American
18 Airlines Flight 11; 60 people on United Airlines Flight 175;
19 2,606 victims in or near the World Trade Center; 343
20 firefighters; 60 police officers from the New York City Police
21 Department and the Port Authority Police Department; 59 people
22 on American Airlines Flight 77; 125 in the Pentagon; and 40
23 people who died on United Airlines Flight 93, which crashed in
24 Shanksville, Pennsylvania, after the passengers heroically
25 fought back against the hijackers; and

26 WHEREAS, Osama bin Laden was also responsible for
27 the 1998 bombings of the United States embassies in Nairobi,

1 Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, and Tanzania, killing more than 200
2 people and injuring more than 5,000; and

3 WHEREAS, Osama bin Laden was responsible for the
4 2000 bombing of the USS Cole, killing 17 American sailors and
5 injuring 39; and

6 WHEREAS, Osama bin Laden and al Qaeda were
7 responsible for countless other cowardly terrorist attacks
8 around the world; and

9 WHEREAS, the United States never tolerate our
10 security being threatened and will relentlessly defend our
11 citizens, friends and allies; and

12 WHEREAS, the death of Osama bin Laden marks the most
13 significant achievement to date in our nation's effort to
14 defeat al Qaeda; and

15 WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature commends President
16 Obama for having the courage to make the order to bring Osama
17 bin Laden to justice knowing full well that if the mission had
18 failed he would have been subject to intense criticism; now
19 therefore,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
21 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That by copy of this resolution we
22 hereby honor and most highly commend President Barack Obama,
23 for his leadership and courage in bringing Osama bin Laden to
24 justice.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
26 resolution be provided to President Barack Obama.