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3 By Representative Sanderford
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8 COMMENDING GENERAL DENNIS L. VIA.
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10 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
11 are herein proudly presented to General Dennis L. Via, who
12 will become the 18th Commander of the United States Army
13 Materiel Command (AMC), one of the largest Army commands with
14 an impact in all 50 states and 144 countries; and

15 WHEREAS, General Via, who has the distinction of
16 commanding at every level, previously served as the Deputy
17 Commanding General and Chief of Staff of AMC; while serving in
18 this capacity, he deployed to Southwest Asia in October 2011
19 as the Commander, AMC Responsible Reset Task Force (R2TF) with
20 the mission of leading the strategic integration of the Army
21 Materiel Enterprise for the Retrograde of equipment and
22 material from Iraq at the conclusion of Operation New Dawn
23 (OND) in accordance with the Presidential mandate; and

24 WHEREAS, a native of Martinsville, Virginia, General
25 Via was commissioned in May 1980 in the Signal Corps after
26 graduating as a Distinguished Military Graduate from Virginia

1 State University in Petersburg, Virginia; he holds a Master's
2 Degree from Boston University, and is a graduate of the U.S.
3 Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War
4 College; and

5 WHEREAS, his command assignments include the 82nd
6 Signal Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division; 3rd Signal Brigade,
7 III Armored Corps; 5th Signal Command, U.S. Army Europe and
8 7th Army, and the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Life
9 Cycle Management Command and Fort Monmouth, and his principal
10 staff assignments include Division Chief, Joint Requirements
11 Oversight Council (JROC), Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff,
12 G-8, Headquarters, U.S. Army; Principal Director for
13 Operations, Defense Information Systems Agency, and Deputy
14 Commander, Joint Task Force-Global Network Operations, U.S.
15 Strategic Command; and Director for Command, Control,
16 Communications and Computer (C4) Systems, J-6, The Joint
17 Staff; and

18 WHEREAS, General Via is married to the former Linda
19 A. Brown of Warsaw, Virginia, and they have two sons, Brian, a
20 third year student at the University of Virginia in
21 Charlottesville, Virginia, and Bradley, a junior at Huntsville
22 High School in Huntsville, Alabama; and

23 WHEREAS, through the years, General Via has earned
24 profound respect for his exceptional abilities and unwavering
25 commitment to the nation and to the defense of freedom and
26 democracy; his achievements reflect immense honor upon the

1 State of Alabama and the United States, and he is truly
2 deserving of special recognition; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
4 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That General Dennis L. Via is
5 highly honored and commended, and this resolution is offered
6 in heartiest congratulations, as well as in deepest admiration
7 and appreciation, along with sincere best wishes for continued
8 success in all future endeavors.