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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Baker and Colston
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 10-APR-13

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING DEPUTY TONY WAYNE BLACKWELL AS A NOMINEE
4 FOR THE 2013 ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR FOR LAW
5 ENFORCEMENT.
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7 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
8 recognize Deputy Tony Wayne Blackwell of the DeKalb County
9 Sheriff's Office as a nominee for the 2013 Alabama Legislative
10 Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement, Alabama's highest law
11 enforcement award for extraordinary courage in the line of
12 duty; and

13 WHEREAS, Deputy Blackwell has provided outstanding
14 service to his community as a patrol deputy, K-9 handler, Drug
15 Agent, and a member of the DeKalb County Sheriff's Mounted
16 Unit since joining the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office in 2007;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, on June 8, 2012, he encountered an armed
19 suspect who had attempted to flee from the deputy and pulled
20 his weapon on the deputy; Deputy Blackwell had to use deadly
21 force to protect himself and an Alabama State Trooper involved
22 in the chase; and

23 WHEREAS, after checking on his injured fellow
24 officer, he performed CPR on the suspect until medical

1 personnel arrived; he demonstrated characteristic courage and
2 compassion during the incident; and

3 WHEREAS, Deputy Blackwell is a worthy exemplar of
4 those caring and dedicated men and women who stand ever ready
5 to provide prompt and professional response in times of
6 crisis, and he is highly deserving of this distinguished
7 nomination for the Legislative Medal of Honor for Law
8 Enforcement; now therefore,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
10 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby recognize and honor
11 Deputy Tony Wayne Blackwell of the DeKalb County Sheriff's
12 Office as a nominee for the 2013 Legislative Medal of Honor
13 for Law Enforcement and direct that he receive a copy of this
14 resolution as evidence of our admiration and esteem.

