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8 COMMENDING HEART GALLERY ALABAMA FOR ITS WORK ON
9 BEHALF OF THE CHILDREN RESIDING IN FOSTER CARE IN ALABAMA ON
10 THE OCCASION OF ITS 10TH YEAR OF SERVICE.

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12 WHEREAS, Heart Gallery Alabama is in its 10th year
13 of operation, having been organized in 2005 by a group of
14 inspired individuals who gave their time freely to educate the
15 public about and advocate on behalf of the hundreds of
16 children in Alabama's foster care system who do not have
17 permanent, loving families; and

18 WHEREAS, over the past 10 years, Heart Gallery
19 Alabama has grown into successful 501 c (3) non-profit agency
20 with a professional staff that partners with the Alabama
21 Department of Human Resources to advocate for children in all
22 67 counties of the State of Alabama; and

23 WHEREAS, Heart Gallery Alabama achieves its mission
24 by working with a professional volunteer photographers to
25 create engaging photographic exhibits and online video
26 interviews that capture each child's uniqueness and by sharing
27 these with the world; and

1 WHEREAS, Heart Gallery Alabama has created more than
2 1000 photographs and video interviews of children in Alabama's
3 foster care system since 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, Heart Gallery Alabama has directly assisted
5 in the permanent placement of more than 500 children; and

6 WHEREAS, Heart Gallery responds to more than 2000
7 inquiries from prospective parents each year on behalf of
8 Alabama's foster children; and

9 WHEREAS, Heart Gallery Alabama has a solid record of
10 making a significant difference in the lives of Alabama's
11 children through its recruitment efforts and public education
12 and stands matchless in the State of Alabama for its
13 innovative services to children; and

14 WHEREAS, Heart Gallery Alabama is guided and driven
15 by the belief that there are no unwanted children, only
16 unfound families; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Heart Gallery Alabama is
19 highly honored and commended, and a copy of this resolution is
20 provided to show our heartfelt gratitude for its service to
21 the children and families of the State of Alabama.