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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Baker and Rowe
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8 COMMENDING OFFICER R.F. HUBBARD OF THE CITY OF
9 MONTGOMERY POLICE DEPARTMENT AS A NOMINEE FOR THE 2015 ALABAMA
10 LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.
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12 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
13 recognize Officer R.F. Hubbard of the City of Montgomery
14 Police Department as a nominee for the 2015 Alabama
15 Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement, Alabama's
16 highest law enforcement award for extraordinary courage in the
17 line of duty; and

18 WHEREAS, on October, 5, 2014, Officer Hubbard
19 responded to Walmart at 3801 Eastern Boulevard in reference to
20 a theft in progress; shortly after arrival, Officer Hubbard
21 observed a man fitting the suspect's description inside of the
22 store and approached him, attempting to take him into custody;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, the suspect resisted arrest, pushing
25 Officer Hubbard and walking backwards away from him; Officer
26 Hubbard then drew his Taser and struck the suspect; the
27 suspect, who seemed to not be affected by the Taser, pulled a

1 handgun; Officer Hubbard drew his duty weapon, but before he
2 could use it, the suspect shot multiple times, striking
3 Officer Hubbard in the right forearm and right shoulder and
4 grazing him with a bullet in the front of his neck; Officer
5 Hubbard refused to go down and continued standing in the line
6 of fire to maintain the suspect's focus on him and away from
7 the customers; and

8 WHEREAS, without a moment's hesitation, Officer
9 Hubbard placed himself in the path of danger to protect the
10 public; Officer Hubbard disregarded his own safety and
11 retreated back to the main lobby of the store to warn the
12 customers and employees of the potential danger and advise
13 them to seek cover; and

14 WHEREAS, Officer Hubbard demonstrated immense
15 courage, diligence, and quick thinking in a highly dangerous
16 situation; his loyalty and unwavering commitment to protect
17 and serve the residents of Montgomery was evidenced through his
18 willingness to make the ultimate sacrifice to preserve lives;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Officer Hubbard epitomizes the qualities of
21 those who serve and protect, and he is truly deserving of this
22 distinguished nomination for the Legislative Medal of Honor
23 for Law Enforcement; now therefore,

24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
25 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we hereby recognize and honor
26 Officer R.F. Hubbard as a nominee for the 2015 Legislative
27 Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement and direct that he receive

1 a copy of this resolution as evidence of our admiration and
2 esteem.