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8 COMMENDING JOEY KENT UPON BEING INDUCTED INTO THE
9 HUNTSVILLE-MADISON COUNTY ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2015.

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11 WHEREAS, we take great pride and pleasure in
12 recognizing Joey Kent of Brentwood, Tennessee, upon his
13 induction into the Huntsville-Madison County Athletic Hall of
14 Fame Class of 2015; and

15 WHEREAS, the son of a longtime assistant coach at
16 Alabama A and M, Joey Kent was an All-State receiver and
17 safety at Johnson High School in Huntsville; although
18 recruited by The University of Alabama as a defensive back,
19 Kent chose to accept an offer from The University of Tennessee
20 as a wide receiver; and

21 WHEREAS, in a four-year career at Tennessee, Kent
22 became a team captain, a Biletnikoff Award semifinalist, and a
23 two-time All-SEC receiver who still holds Tennessee's all-time
24 records in career receptions (183), career receiving yards
25 (2,814), and career touchdowns; and

1 WHEREAS, in 1995, as a junior at Tennessee and in
2 the game against Alabama, Kent caught quarterback Peyton
3 Manning's throw and ran untouched to the end zone for one play
4 of 80 yards that was a game-changer, a streak-ender, and a
5 streak-beginner; Tennessee won that game 41-14 and went on to
6 win seven games in a row and nine out of ten against Alabama
7 between 1995 and 2005; and

8 WHEREAS, in the second round of the 1997 draft, Kent
9 was picked by the Tennessee Titans where he played for three
10 years, including an opportunity to play in a Super Bowl; he
11 subsequently played one year for the Minnesota Vikings; and

12 WHEREAS, Joey Kent currently works as a senior
13 biopharmaceutical representative at Amgen in Nashville; he and
14 his wife, Enqu, have two children, daughter, Saba, and son,
15 Gavin; and

16 WHEREAS, exemplifying the qualities that sustain
17 young athletes and inspire excellence in all sports, Joey Kent
18 is deserving of this special recognition; now therefore,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
20 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That it is a privilege to commend
21 the accomplished athlete Joey Kent on his well-deserved
22 induction into the Huntsville-Madison County Athletic Hall of
23 Fame Class of 2015, and by copy of this resolution we convey
24 our congratulations and our highest esteem, along with best
25 wishes in all his continuing endeavors.