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3 By Senators Orr, Albritton, Allen, Beasley, Blackwell,
4 Brewbaker, Bussman, Chambliss, Coleman-Madison, Dial, Dunn,
5 Figures, Glover, Hightower, Holley, Holtzclaw, Livingston,
6 Marsh, McClendon, Melson, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders,
7 Sanford, Scofield, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman,
8 Stutts, Waggoner, Ward, Whatley and Williams
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8 CONGRATULATING ALABAMA PUBLIC TELEVISION ON WINNING
9 THE RADIO TELEVISION DIGITAL NEWS ASSOCIATION'S 2016 EDWARD R.
10 MURROW NATIONAL AWARD AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
11 BROADCASTERS EDUCATION FOUNDATION'S CELEBRATION OF SERVICE TO
12 AMERICA AWARD.

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14 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
15 are herein proudly presented to Alabama Public Television on
16 the outstanding achievement of winning the Radio Television
17 Digital News Association's 2016 Edward R. Murrow National
18 Award for Best News Documentary in a major market and the
19 National Association of Broadcasters Education Foundation's
20 Celebration of Service to America Award for service to
21 children; and

22 WHEREAS, the Radio Television Digital News
23 Association's Edward R. Murrow National Awards are among the
24 highest recognition in journalism and embody the excellence
25 that namesake, Edward R. Murrow, set as a standard for the
26 electronic news field; and

1 WHEREAS, Alabama Public Television won the 2016
2 Edward R. Murrow National Award for Best News Documentary in a
3 major market with its film Jeremiah; Jeremiah depicts the true
4 story of American hero, Jeremiah Denton, and portrays the
5 ultimate sacrifices made by our nation's service men and
6 women; written and produced by Alabama Public Television's
7 Mark Fastoso, Jeremiah received four Southeast Region Emmy
8 Awards; and

9 WHEREAS, Alabama Public Television emerged as one of
10 the winners of the 2016 Celebration of Service to America
11 Awards in the category of "Service to Children," based on its
12 remarkable three-year series of electronic field trips,
13 Project C: Lessons from the American Civil Rights Movement; a
14 team of student reporters led the series, which among its many
15 captivating episodes, has commemorated the 50th Anniversary of
16 the Selma Bridge Crossing and the Montgomery Bus Boycott and
17 featured a speech by President Obama and a visit to the Rosa
18 Parks Museum; and

19 WHEREAS, Alabama Public Television's Project C
20 electronic field trips have provided ongoing community
21 engagement to students, teachers, the greater Alabama
22 community, and the nation through interactive webcasts, print
23 resources, a historical issues guide and teacher institutes;
24 the series has also garnered awards for Educational Media and
25 Educational Program from the National Educational
26 Telecommunications Association (NETA) in 2015 and received a
27 nomination for a Southeast Regional Emmy Award in 2015; and

1 WHEREAS, Alabama Public Television's brilliance in
2 the field of electronic journalism and diligence in
3 efficiently providing a myriad of life enriching services
4 reflect immense credit upon the entire State of Alabama; now
5 therefore,

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
7 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Alabama Public Television is
8 highly honored and commended, and this resolution is offered
9 to the phenomenal broadcasting station in deepest admiration
10 and appreciation, along with sincere best wishes for continued
11 success in all future endeavors.