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8 RECOGNIZING NBA HALL OF FAMER, ENTREPRENEUR,
9 PHILANTHROPIST, BROADCASTER, AND MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER EARVIN
10 "MAGIC" JOHNSON ON HIS SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT AT THE STEPOFF
11 SPORTS, INC., INAUGURAL BASKETBALL FUNDAMENTAL AND SKILLS CAMP
12 2K16 AT COLUMBIA HIGH SCHOOL.

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14 WHEREAS, it is a tremendous privilege to recognize
15 NBA Hall of Famer, entrepreneur, and philanthropist,
16 broadcaster, and motivational speaker Earvin "Magic" Johnson
17 on his speaking engagement at the Stepoff Sports, Inc.,
18 inaugural Basketball Foundation Fundamental and Skills Camp
19 2K16 at Columbia High School in Huntsville, Alabama, on May 14
20 to 15, 2016; and

21 WHEREAS, Magic Johnson's extensive record of
22 excellence includes three NBA MVP Awards, nine NBA Finals
23 appearances, 12 All-Star games, and 10 All-NBA First and
24 Second Team nominations; and

25 WHEREAS, he has the utmost distinctions of leading
26 the league in regular season assists four times; being the
27 NBA's all-time leader in average assists per game; being a

1 member of the 1992 United States Men's Olympic Basketball
2 Team, known as "The Dream Team," which won the Olympic Gold
3 Medal; forming the Magic Johnson All-Stars, which traveled
4 around the world playing exhibition games; and being honored
5 as one of the 50 Greatest Players in NBA History in 1996; and

6 WHEREAS, in addition, he is one of only seven
7 players in history to win an NCAA Championship, an NBA
8 Championship, and an Olympic Gold Medal, a two-time inductee
9 of the Basketball Hall of Fame, and rated the greatest NBA
10 point guard of all time by ESPN; and

11 WHEREAS, as an entrepreneur, he was named by Ebony
12 Magazine as one of America's most influential black
13 businessmen in 2009; Magic Johnson has positively impacted
14 countless lives worldwide as an advocate, philanthropist, and
15 motivational speaker; and

16 WHEREAS, Magic Johnson will encourage and interact
17 with the participants of the Stepoff Sports, Inc., Inaugural
18 Basketball Fundamental and Skills Camp 2K16, which aims to
19 show youth how athletics can be used as a catalyst to develop
20 personal accountability, a strong work ethic, leadership
21 skills, and teamwork; the goal of the camp entails promoting
22 how hard work and a commitment to success can lead to positive
23 results and successful outcomes in all aspects of life; and

24 WHEREAS, is it is appropriate and fitting to
25 recognize those special individuals who selflessly give of
26 themselves for the greater good of the community and
27 humankind; those who uplift others with a helping hand and

1 lead the way down the path of virtue with their lights shining
2 brightly are the lanterns of this world and the promise of the
3 future; Magic Johnson is one of the greats of society who has
4 remained dedicated to the worthy task of giving back and
5 making the world a better place; now therefore,

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
7 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Earvin "Magic" Johnson is
8 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered to him
9 in highest tribute, along with sincere best wishes for the
10 future.