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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Baker and Rowe
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 18-APR-17

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING OFFICER TONY BRYANT OF THE HUNTSVILLE
4 POLICE DEPARTMENT AS A NOMINEE FOR THE 2017 ALABAMA
5 LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.
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7 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
8 recognize Officer Tony Bryant of the Huntsville Police
9 Department as a nominee for the 2017 Alabama Legislative Medal
10 of Honor for Law Enforcement, Alabama's highest law
11 enforcement award for extraordinary courage in the line of
12 duty; and

13 WHEREAS, on June 18, 2016, Officer Tony Bryant
14 arrived at Jordan Lane near University Drive to assist Alabama
15 Law Enforcement Agency Trooper Hopkins with a suspicious
16 suspect and observed Trooper Hopkins in a life or death
17 altercation with the offender who had pulled a handgun on
18 Trooper Hopkins; Trooper Hopkins had grabbed the handgun
19 attempting to gain control and he and the offender were
20 pressed against the offender's vehicle struggling over the
21 handgun; Officer Bryant attempted to secure the offender but
22 was unable to subdue him, and Trooper Hopkins, unable to
23 disengage from the offender, was losing control of the
24 offender's arm that held the handgun; fearing for Trooper

1 Hopkins's life, Officer Bryant discharged his weapon to stop
2 the deadly threat; and

3 WHEREAS, placed in a life-threatening situation and
4 without a moment's hesitation, Officer Tony Bryant placed
5 himself in the line of peril and stopped the individual from
6 harming or killing a fellow law enforcement officer and ended
7 an eminent threat to civilians in the immediate area; for his
8 meritorious actions, Officer Bryant received the Medal of
9 Valor, the second highest medal awarded by the Huntsville
10 Police Department; and

11 WHEREAS, Officer Tony Bryant demonstrated immense
12 courage, diligence, and quick response in a life-threatening
13 situation; his loyalty and unwavering commitment to protect
14 and serve the residents of Huntsville were evidenced through
15 his willingness to make the quick and proper response in order
16 to protect the lives of others; and

17 WHEREAS, Officer Tony Bryant epitomizes the
18 qualities of those who serve and protect, and he is truly
19 deserving of this distinguished nomination for the Legislative
20 Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement; now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
22 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby recognize and honor
23 Officer Tony Bryant as a nominee for the 2017 Legislative
24 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.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 20-APR-17.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

27-APR-17

Adopted