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3 By Senators Dial, Ward, Bussman, Holley, Albritton, Allen,
4 Beasley, Blackwell, Brewbaker, Chambliss, Coleman-Madison,
5 Dunn, Figures, Glover, Hightower, Holtzclaw, Livingston,
6 Marsh, McClendon, Melson, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders,
7 Sanford, Scofield, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman,
8 Stutts, Waggoner, Whatley and Williams
9 RFD:
10 First Read: 04-APR-17

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4 ENROLLED, SJR71,

5 COMMENDING TROY UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM
6 AS 2017 SUN BELT CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS.
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8 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
9 are herein proudly presented to the Troy University Women's
10 Basketball Team on winning the 2017 Sun Belt Conference
11 Championship; and

12 WHEREAS, the Troy University Women's Basketball Team
13 competes at the NCAA Division I level as a proud member of the
14 Sun Belt Conference; and

15 WHEREAS, on March 12, 2017, the Lady Trojans
16 defeated the University of Louisiana-Lafayette 78-64 at
17 Lakefront Arena in New Orleans, Louisiana, to capture its
18 second consecutive Sun Belt Conference Championship to earn a
19 berth in the NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament; and

20 WHEREAS, senior Claresa Banks and sophomore La'Tia
21 Fils-Aime' of the Trojans were named to the All Tournament
22 Team and the Trojans' Caitlyn Ramirez, a senior, was named the
23 tournament's most outstanding player; and

24 WHEREAS, the team's championship roster also
25 consists of seniors Jayla Chills, Lauren Day, Kristen Emerson,

1 Ta'Kierra Gibbs, and Arjae' Saunders; juniors Amanda Mendoza
2 and Dajia Williams; sophomore Amahni Upshaw; and freshmen
3 Jessie Day, Amber Rivers, Kayla Robinson, and Harriet
4 Winchester; and

5 WHEREAS, the Trojans are led capably by Head Coach
6 Chanda Rigby, whose Trojan teams have posted three consecutive
7 seasons of 20 wins or more since she was named head coach five
8 seasons ago, including this season's 22-11 record; and

9 WHEREAS, Coach Rigby's outstanding staff is composed
10 of Jennifer Graf, associate head coach; Courtney Simmons,
11 assistant coach; Neil Harrow, assistant coach; Janea Carnley,
12 director of operations; Shannon Lemons, strength and
13 conditioning coach; Cherise Crisman, trainer; Wes Johnson,
14 sports information; and Yasmine Sturdivant and Keona
15 Dejarnett, managers; now therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
17 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Coach Rigby and her team are
18 commended for winning the 2017 Sun Belt Conference Basketball
19 Tournament, thus earning a berth in the 2017 NCAA tournament
20 and in the process representing the State of Alabama in an
21 exemplary manner and it is further directed that the team
22 receive a copy of this resolution as evidence of our
23 appreciation.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 04-APR-17
I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives
Adopted: 06-APR-17

By: Senator Dial