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3 By Representative McCutcheon
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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING THE NUMEROUS HISTORIC, ECONOMIC, AND
4 INTELLECTUAL CONTRIBUTIONS OF NASA'S MARSHALL SPACE FLIGHT
5 CENTER AND ITS DIRECTOR, TODD MAY, TO THE STATE OF ALABAMA.
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7 WHEREAS, over the course of the past six decades,
8 NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center has contributed numerous
9 advancements to the world-at-large in the areas of science and
10 rocket propulsion technology from landing Americans on the
11 moon to innovation that enables astronauts to explore, live,
12 and work safely in the harsh environment of space; and

13 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center is
14 responsible for the existence of approximately 29,000 jobs and
15 a \$4.6 billion economic output across Alabama as well as \$123
16 million annually in state and local tax revenues; the Space
17 Flight Center serves as a major economic development asset and
18 technology magnet for the Southeast and helps create a culture
19 of innovation in addition to attracting numerous
20 private-sector companies to the state and region; and

21 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center equips
22 taxpayers with additional benefits beyond the positive
23 economic impacts through new discoveries, a strengthened
24 national security, a deepened partnership with other nations,

1 solutions for tough issues, and inspiration for the next
2 generation of students and explorers; and

3 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center is
4 preparing to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the Apollo moon
5 landing and Alabama Bicentennial while simultaneously leading
6 the development of the Space Launch System, which is
7 anticipated to be the most powerful rocket ever built; the
8 Space Launch System will allow America to continue advancing
9 beyond low-Earth orbit, to explore the lunar vicinity, and
10 lead future missions to destinations such as Mars; and

11 WHEREAS, in continuation of its work on the
12 International Space Station Hubble Space Telescope, Chandra
13 X-ray Observatory, and new Imaging X-Ray Polarimetry Explorer
14 Mission, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center is developing
15 robust science missions to expand understanding of our planet,
16 solar system, and universe; and

17 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center has
18 successfully reached every county in Alabama for the first
19 time with STEM educational and additional outreach efforts
20 through its new "67 Counties Initiative"; and

21 WHEREAS, the residents of the State of Alabama are
22 exceedingly proud of the distinguished achievements of NASA's
23 Marshall Space Flight Center and the advances in space
24 exploration and scientific progression it has produced and its

1 unparalleled contributions to the benefit of all humanity; now
2 therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
4 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby extol the excellence
5 of accomplishments of NASA and the Marshall Space Flight
6 Center and the remarkable, technical, scientific, and economic
7 contributions made to the State of Alabama and the United
8 States of America.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
10 resolution be provided to Center Director Todd May in
11 recognition of the distinguished scientists, engineers,
12 technicians, management, and support personnel at Marshall
13 Space Flight Center, all of whom have achieved distinction
14 beyond measure.

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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 01-MAR-18.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate	13-MAR-18	Adopted
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