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8 NAMING THE TUSKEGEE SYPHILIS STUDY MEMORIAL HIGHWAY
9 IN MACON COUNTY.

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11 WHEREAS, to recognize a part of history contributed
12 to by some of the African American citizens in the Tuskegee
13 area, we name a portion of Highway 81 in Macon County the
14 Tuskegee Syphilis Study Memorial Highway; and

15 WHEREAS, in 1932, a study was initiated in Tuskegee,
16 Alabama, that was known for its unethical considerations and
17 inhumane treatment of the participants; that study ended in
18 1972, 25 years after the cure for syphilis was known and
19 publicly available; and

20 WHEREAS, the study was later considered an unethical
21 experiment that provided information regarding subjects who
22 were intentionally denied treatment; among other things, the
23 study participants were not provided an opportunity for
24 informed consent, were subjected to unnecessary dangers, and
25 were coerced into agreeing to autopsies; and

26 WHEREAS, it is estimated that more than 100
27 participants died as a result of this disreputable study; and

1 it is fitting to honor the memory of the participants in the
2 Tuskegee Syphilis Study; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
4 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we do hereby name that portion
5 of Highway 81 in Macon County from mile marker 6 to mile
6 marker 9 as the Tuskegee Syphilis Study Memorial Highway and
7 request the appropriate officials to place and maintain signs
8 or markers as provided in this resolution.