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3 By Senator Waggoner
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4 ENROLLED, SJR60,

5 RECOGNIZING RENEW OUR RIVERS.

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7 WHEREAS, Renew Our Rivers began in 2000 as a
8 community river cleanup organized by Alabama Power employees
9 from Plant Gadsden concerned about litter found along the
10 Coosa River; founded by Gene Phifer, the program is now one of
11 the nation's largest river cleanups, including river systems
12 across Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, and Florida; and

13 WHEREAS, Renew Our Rivers partnerships bring
14 together employees, civic leaders, community volunteers,
15 homeowner and boat owner organizations, students and other
16 groups to make this effort sustainable; more than 117,000
17 Renew Our Rivers volunteers have collected more than 15.5
18 million pounds of trash and debris from waterways across the
19 Southeast; and

20 WHEREAS, Alabama has more than 132,000 miles of
21 rivers and streams that are among the most biologically
22 diverse waterways in the world; more than 30 cleanups are
23 planned across the state in 2019, from Cedar Bluff and Double
24 Springs to Mobile, Demopolis, and Eufaula to celebrate the
25 20th year of Renew Our Rivers; and

1 WHEREAS, Renew our Rivers is one of many initiatives
2 in which Alabama Power partners with others to promote
3 environmental stewardship in communities across the state; now
4 therefore,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
6 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Renew Our Rivers is commended
7 and congratulated for its contributions over the past two
8 decades in cleaning, protecting, and conserving our state's
9 waterways, and a copy of this resolution shall be provided for
10 appropriate presentation and display.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives
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