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3 By Representative McCutcheon
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 30-MAR-22

COMMENDING THE WALKING HORSE ASSOCIATION OF ALABAMA.

WHEREAS, the Walking Horse Association of Alabama is a most worthy and commendable nonprofit organization which was established July 16, 1969, to promote and protect the Tennessee Walking Horse; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Walking Horse Association of Alabama is to promote and increase public awareness of the true and inherent abilities of the Walking Horse and to provide an equitable event affiliation program for Walking Horses, Spotted Saddle Horses, and Racking Horses, which is Alabama's Official Horse, to be exhibited, judged, and showcased, serving as an advocate, as well as a communication hub for the Walking Horse industry; and

WHEREAS, the Walking Horse Association of Alabama is also committed to being a champion for the children of Alabama who suffer from cancer by donating most of its proceeds to Camp Smile-A-Mile, which is an organization that provides hope, healing, and love for the whole family during an Alabama child's cancer journey; since 1998, the Walking Horse

1 Association of Alabama has donated over \$500,000; the Walking
2 Horse Association of Alabama is the largest donor for Camp
3 Smile-A-Mile children and has been donating for the longest
4 time; and

5 WHEREAS, the outstanding leaders, along with the
6 dedicated past and present members of the Walking Horse
7 Association of Alabama, have pledged that they will
8 continually be engaged with helping communities and the State
9 of Alabama; now therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
11 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Walking Horse Association
12 of Alabama is recognized and commended, and this resolution is
13 offered in highest tribute and with deepest appreciation to
14 the membership, on behalf of the citizens of the State of
15 Alabama.