

## HJR91 ENROLLED



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9 Hulsey, Hurst, Ingram, Jackson, Kiel, Kirkland, Kitchens,  
10 Lamb, Lawrence, Ledbetter, Lee, Lipscomb, Lomax, Lovvorn,  
11 Marques, McCampbell, McClammy, Mooney, Moore (M), Moore (P),  
12 Morris, Oliver, Paramore, Paschal, Pettus, Plump, Rafferty,  
13 Rehm, Reynolds, Rigsby, Robbins, Robertson, Rogers, Sellers,  
14 Sells, Shaver, Shaw, Shedd, Smith, Sorrells, South,  
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17 (D), Wood (R), Woods, Yarbrough  
18 RFD: RULES  
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21 2023 Regular Session



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 HJR\_\_\_ COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA ON THE  
5 OCCASION OF ITS 60TH ANNIVERSARY.

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7 WHEREAS, the University of South Alabama was  
8 chartered by Legislative Act on May 3, 1963, following the  
9 efforts of local leaders, acting as the Mobile County  
10 Foundation for Public Higher Education, who saw a great need  
11 for a four-year, degree-granting institution along the  
12 fast-growing Alabama Gulf Coast; and

13 WHEREAS, the university's first classes were held on  
14 June 8, 1964, on a new suburban campus in West Mobile, with  
15 276 students and Dr. Frederick P. Whiddon as its first  
16 President; and

17 WHEREAS, the University of South Alabama has greatly  
18 prospered and expanded in the past 60 years and today has  
19 nearly 13,500 students and offers more than 125 academic  
20 programs in 10 colleges and schools; and

21 WHEREAS, the university offerings include programs in  
22 medicine, nursing, and allied health with one of only two  
23 allopathic medical schools in the state and Alabama's  
24 largest nursing college; a burgeoning School of Marine and  
25 Environmental Sciences adjacent to the Mobile-Tensas Delta  
26 and the Gulf of Mexico; the only comprehensive College of  
27 Engineering in the state within 200 miles, and programs in  
28 business, computing, education, science, and humanities; and



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29 WHEREAS, the university boasts a 17 to 1 student to  
30 faculty ratio, with 75 percent of instruction delivered by  
31 full-time faculty, and a growing research portfolio with an  
32 emphasis on health care and STEM exploration; and

33 WHEREAS, the university's early adoption of Mobile  
34 General Hospital and creation of a medical school grew into  
35 what is today USA Health, the region's only academic health  
36 care system that includes USA Health University Hospital,  
37 USA Health Children's and Women's Hospital, USA Health  
38 Mitchell Cancer Institute, and an expanding line of primary  
39 and specialty care clinics, in addition to safety net  
40 services, including the area's only Level I trauma center,  
41 USA Health Fanny Meisler Trauma Center, the Arnold Luterman  
42 Regional Burn Center, a comprehensive stroke center, the  
43 Level III Hollis J. Wiseman Neonatal Intensive Care Unit,  
44 and a Pediatric Intensive Care Unit; and

45 WHEREAS, as a founding member of the Sun Belt  
46 Conference, the university competes in 17 Division 1  
47 athletic programs, including football, basketball, baseball,  
48 softball, soccer, volleyball, tennis, golf, track and field,  
49 and cross country running, with its student athletes  
50 excelling in competition and in the classroom; and

51 WHEREAS, the university community includes, as one of  
52 the regions largest employers, nearly 9,000 employees;  
53 93,000 alumni over its lifetime, with most graduates  
54 residing in Alabama and along the upper Gulf Coast; and  
55 countless other friends and supporters; and

56 WHEREAS, the University of South Alabama is



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57 commemorating 60 years of making a difference in the lives  
58 of those it serves through promoting discovery, health, and  
59 learning, while looking forward as the leading academic  
60 institution and health care provider throughout the region;  
61 now therefore,

62 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
63 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we congratulate the  
64 University of South Alabama upon this milestone in its  
65 history, and we direct that a copy of this resolution be  
66 presented to the university to convey our best wishes for  
67 future years of service in education, research, and health  
68 care as the Flagship of the Gulf Coast.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in  
and was passed by the House 19-APR-23.

John Treadwell  
Clerk

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Senate

**27-Apr-23**

Adopted