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1 2 3 SJR COMMENDING MR. JOSEPH P. BORG FOR OUTSTANDING 4 SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY AND THE STATE OF ALABAMA. 5 6 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly 7 presented to Director Joseph P. Borg for outstanding service 8 to his country and the State of Alabama during his 29-year 9 career with the State of Alabama; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Mr. Borg was born on November 20, 1952, in 12 the State of New York; he completed a Bachelor's Degree at 13 the City College of New York and received his Law Degree from Hofstra University School of Law in Hempstead, New 14 15 York; and 16 WHEREAS, Mr. Borg began his career with the State of 17 Alabama as Director of the Alabama Securities Commission in 1994 and has served in that role continuously since then; 18 19 there is no person who has done more to selflessly serve the interests of the State of Alabama in protecting investors 20 21 and in maintaining stability in our financial markets; and 22 WHEREAS, Mr. Borg practiced for private law firms and public banks in commercial, financial, securities, banking, 23 and contracts litigation before entering public service, 24 25 thereby honing the legal knowledge and litigation skills he

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would bring to bear in his efforts on behalf of the State of Alabama; he also served as Adjunct Faculty at both the collegiate and law school level for 20 years, teaching the UCC, Banking, and Securities Law, thereby enhancing the teaching skills he would need to educate investors, broker dealers, and other public officials and leaders; and

32 WHEREAS, Mr. Borg served as Director of the ASC for nearly three decades, and is the only person in history to 33 accomplish that, and is also the only person to be elected 34 35 and to serve three terms as President of the North American 36 Securities Administrators Association (NASAA); additionally, he has served as a member of the NASAA Board of Directors, 37 38 Chair of the International Committee, Chair of Enforcement, 39 and Ombudsmen, as well as a member of the Board of Directors of the National White Collar Crime Center, the Investor 40 41 Protection Trust, and the Investor Protection Institute; and 42 WHEREAS, Mr. Borg served as a United States Delegate 43 to an Intergovernmental Expert Group for the United Nations

44 Commission on International Trade Law, and his service added 45 immeasurably to the understanding of international fraud and 46 the criminal misuse and falsification of identity; and

WHEREAS, between 1997 and 2018, Mr. Borg was asked to share his expertise and opinions on numerous occasions by providing testimony to the United States Congress, and he testified before both Senate and House Committees and

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51 Subcommittees, including Banking, Financial Services, 52 Capital Markets, and Investigations, about such matters as micro-cap securities fraud, criminal elements in the 53 54 markets, the role of State Securities Regulators, fighting 55 white collar crime, initial public offerings of private 56 equity and hedge funds, consolidating the regulatory functions of the NISD and NYSE, illicit practices affecting 57 senior citizens, SIPA and SIPC modernization, and ensuring 58 effectiveness, fairness, and transparency in Securities Law 59 60 Enforcement; and

61 WHEREAS, Mr. Borg also represented State Securities 62 Regulators at the National Conference of State Legislatures 63 to address the negative impact of federal preemption of 64 State Securities Laws and was a tireless fighter for 65 consumers for the need to maintain parallel federal and 66 state regulatory schemes to provide comprehensive nationwide 67 protection for investors at all levels; and

68 WHEREAS, Mr. Borg did all of the above in a selfless 69 manner that demonstrated his love for his country, his 70 state, and his fellow citizens; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Mr. Joseph P. Borg is highly commended for his steadfast service to his country and the Alabama community he calls home, and this resolution is offered to him in highest regard along with best wishes for

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76 continued success.