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- 3 By Senators Allen, Givhan, Albritton, Barfoot, Beasley, Bell,
- 4 Butler, Carnley, Chambliss, Chesteen, Coleman,
- 5 Coleman-Madison, Elliott, Figures, Gudger, Hatcher, Hovey,
- 6 Jones, Kelley, Kitchens, Livingston, Melson, Orr, Price, Reed,
- 7 Roberts, Sessions, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smitherman, Stewart,
- 8 Stutts, Waggoner, Weaver, Williams
- 9 RFD:
- 10 First Read: 07-Feb-24



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4 SJR\_\_\_ COMMENDING NICHOLAS DUNLAP ON WINNING THE 2024
5 AMERICAN EXPRESS ON THE PGA TOUR.

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7 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations 8 are herein proudly conveyed to Alabama's own Nicholas Dunlap 9 for winning The 2024 American Express PGA Golf Tournament; 10 he is the first amateur in 33 years to win on the PGA Tour; 11 and

12 WHEREAS, Nicholas Dunlap was born on December 23, 13 2003, in Huntsville to Charlene and Jim Dunlap; he displayed 14 an unusual talent in golf from a young age, and he learned 15 and perfected his game at his home club, Greystone Golf and 16 Country Club in Birmingham; he was known to be a hard and 17 diligent student who worked tirelessly to perfect his 18 natural ability; and

19 WHEREAS, Nick Dunlap won the 2021 U.S. Junior Amateur and subsequently committed to play at The University of 20 Alabama; now a sophomore, he won the Linger Longer 21 Invitational as a freshman, which was his first college 22 23 individual victory; tied for fourth at regionals and shared 11th at the NCAA Championship; won the Northeast Amateur 24 Invitational; the North & South Amateur at Pinehurst No. 2, 25 26 where he went 5-0 in match play; and unsurprisingly, rolled through the competition to win the 2023 U.S. Amateur 27 Championship; and 28

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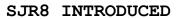


29 WHEREAS, Nick Dunlap received a sponsor exemption to 30 play in The American Express on the PGA Tour; in the third round, he shot a 12-under 60, tying Patrick Cantlay's record 31 32 for the lowest round by an amateur on the PGA Tour; he shot 33 2-under in the final round to win the tournament by one stroke and became the first amateur to win a PGA Tour event 34 35 since Phil Mickelson won the Tucson Open in 1991; at 20 36 years and 29 days old, he also became the second-youngest 37 winner on the PGA Tour in the past 90 years; and he is the 38 first amateur player to have won the U.S. Junior Amateur, U.S. Amateur, and a PGA Tour event; and 39

WHEREAS, the win moved Nick Dunlap from third to first in the World Amateur Golf Ranking, which takes into account the performance of amateurs in both amateur and professional tournaments; a week after his victory at The American Express, he announced that he was turning professional and had accepted PGA Tour membership; and

WHEREAS, the occasion of Nicholas Dunlap winning his first PGA Tour event is an accomplishment to be celebrated; his single-minded dedication, strong desire for success, constant training, and tireless and diligent efforts to achieve excellence serve as a valuable example to young athletes across the country and in his home State of Alabama; now therefore,

53 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH 54 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we highly commend and 55 congratulate Nicholas Dunlap for his outstanding victory at 56 The American Express on the PGA Tour, and we hereby dedicate





- 57 this resolution to him with utmost admiration, along with
- 58 sincere best wishes for continued success.