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2 V7FRJPP-2
3 By Representative Underwood
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 01-Apr-25



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 RECOGNIZING THE BAY FROG OPEN AND RETIRED NAVY SEAL
4 LIEUTENANT COMMANDER RICHARD CLIFFORD FOR THEIR DEDICATION
5 TO THE UNITED STATES SPECIAL FORCES.

6 WHEREAS, on June 22, 2025, in Erie, Pennsylvania,
7 Uncommon Grit Foundation (UGF) is hosting its third annual
8 Bay Frog Open One-Mile Swim, which will feature athletes
9 accompanied by former Navy SEALs and Special Operations
10 Veterans; and

11 WHEREAS, the Bay Frog Open One-Mile Swim will
12 conclude three days of events that center around awareness,
13 patriotism, community, and fun; this high-performance
14 athletic event draws together anyone willing to take the
15 challenge in a race that embodies the grit and determination
16 of the Special Operations Forces; and

17 WHEREAS, proceeds from the event will benefit
18 Uncommon Grit Foundation as well as allow UGF to elevate the
19 work of other nonprofit organizations that raise money for
20 our nation's service men and women; and

21 WHEREAS, founded in spring of 2020, the mission of
22 UGF is to raise awareness and increase community support for
23 military Veterans, first responders, and their families in
24 recognition and thanks for their service and sacrifice to
25 our country; and

26 WHEREAS, we commend proud Alabamian Navy SEAL
27 Lieutenant Commander (Retired) Richard Clifford for his
28 support of Uncommon Grit Foundation; LCDR Clifford joined



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29 the military in 1986, BUDS Class 142; during his 31 years of
30 active duty, he served combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan,
31 and for his service in Afghanistan he received a Bronze Star
32 and two Combat Action Ribbons; he retired in 2017 and has
33 since advocated for and contributed to various military
34 Veteran organizations, including this year's Bay Frog Open
35 hosted by the Uncommon Grit Foundation, bringing awareness
36 of their worthy causes back to the great State of Alabama;
37 now therefore,

38 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
39 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we recognize and celebrate
40 the missions of Uncommon Grit Foundation and retired Navy
41 SEAL Lieutenant Commander Richard Clifford on their work to
42 support all United States Special Operations Forces; we
43 commend their fundraising efforts at the 2025 Bay Frog Open,
44 and we hereby dedicate this resolution to them with
45 heartiest appreciation and admiration, along with sincere
46 best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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 08-Apr-25.

John Treadwell
Clerk

Senate

09-Apr-25

Adopted