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- 1 HJR278
- 2 CXYMLQJ-2
- 3 By Representative Ensler
- 4 RFD: Rules
- 5 First Read: 22-Apr-25

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3	RECOGNIZING RHEEM MANUFACTURING COMPANY ON ITS 100TH
4	ANNIVERSARY.
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6	WHEREAS, this Legislature takes great pride in
7	recognizing businesses that have contributed to the growth
8	of the this great state; Rheem Manufacturing Company has
9	dedicated 100 years in providing jobs and serving the people
10	of Alabama; and
11	WHEREAS, in 1925, Rheem Manufacturing Company was
12	founded in Emeryville, California, by brothers William,
13	Richard, and Donald Rheem; Rheem's original focus was
14	galvanizing steel drums and other metal products; in the
15	following years, Rheem grew by adding several new business
16	lines, including shipping containers, bathroom fixtures,
17	defense equipment, and musical instruments; and
18	WHEREAS, in 1930, Rheem began full-scale
19	manufacturing of water heaters, boilers, and tanks; in 1937,
20	Rheem expanded internationally, opening a manufacturing
21	facility in Australia to produce shipping containers and
22	household appliances; and
23	WHEREAS, sensing a growing demand for central heating
24	and cooling systems, the company began developing its first
25	heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning systems in the
26	1950s; and

WHEREAS, in October 1971, Rheem broke ground on a 200,000 square foot manufacturing plant in Montgomery,

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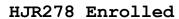
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29	Alabama, to produce water heaters; since its opening in
30	April 1972, the plant has completed two major expansions,
31	manufacturing both residential and commercial water heating
32	systems; and
33	WHEREAS, the Rheem Montgomery Plant has proudly
34	provided continuous, uninterrupted business and job growth
35	in Montgomery for the last 54 years; when the plant opened,
36	Rheem employed 200 people; today, the Rheem family has grown
37	to more than quadruple that number with over 900 team
38	members; and
39	WHEREAS, over the years, Rheem and its employees have
40	proudly supported many nonprofit organizations that serve
41	the greater Montgomery Community, including Habitat for
42	Humanity, Toys for Tots, The United Way, Prattville YMCA,
43	and the Joy to Life Foundation's Walk of Life; and
44	WHEREAS, in 2013, Rheem acquired Heat Transfer
45	Products Group (HTPG), located in Scottsboro, Alabama; HTPG
46	is a leading manufacturer of energy efficient commercial and
47	industrial refrigeration equipment; and
48	WHEREAS, HTPG employees give back to the Scottsboro
49	Community through an annual 5k "Superhero" road race,
50	supporting the Jackson County Children's Advocacy Center and
51	Earth Day events to improve the Scottsboro Industrial Park;
52	and
53	WHEREAS, today, Rheem has over 14,000 employees, 50
54	global brands, and manufacturing and distribution of its
55	products in more than 88 countries; now therefore,
56	BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH



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57	HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we highly commend and
58	congratulate Rheem Manufacturing Company after a century of
59	highly-skilled work, while providing countless jobs and
60	opportunities to workers and sustaining a mission of
61	supporting the community and people who make it all
62	possible.





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82		I hereby certify that the within Act originated	in
83		passed by the House 29-Apr-25.	
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92	Senate	06-May-25	Adopted
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