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1 2 3 HJR PROMOTING AN INCREASED TRADE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE 4 5 STATE OF ALABAMA AND THE PORT OF BAR, MONTENEGRO. 6 7 WHEREAS, Alabama's international exports continue to 8 be one of the state's most powerful economic engines; and 9 WHEREAS, the Port of Bar in Montenegro is strategically located as an access point to the Balkan 10 11 peninsula; and 12 WHEREAS, increasing the trade relationship that 13 Alabama has with Montenegro and the Port of Bar would 14 promote the exchange of ideas as well as goods; it would 15 also serve to expand the Port of Bar's resources as it seeks 16 to undertake transformation from a public-sector owned port 17 to one that is either privatized or partially privatized; 18 and 19 WHEREAS, increasing cooperation and trade between the State of Alabama and the Port of Bar could enhance the 20 21 port's position with U.S. investor groups, supported by 22 United States diplomatic and economic policy; now therefore, 23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH 24 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That a trade collaboration would 25 stimulate opportunities for greater investment, expanded 26 trade, and traffic between the State of Alabama and the Port of Bar. 27 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an MOU between the State

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29 of Alabama and the Port of Bar could include such areas of 30 cooperation, including, but not limited to:

31 (1) A collaboration and exchange of information 32 pertaining to:

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a. Infrastructure and development;

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b. Administration and marketing; and

35 c. Expansion of different cargo and cruise36 operations.

37 (2) Establishing working groups for the exchange of
38 security information, ship, cargo, and passenger manifest
39 traffic, to strengthen the safety and security of
40 international ports worldwide.

41 (3) Creating mutual opportunities for technical and
42 financial incentives to expand and develop specific types of
43 cargo and vessel traffic between the State of Alabama and
44 the Port of Bar.

45 (4) Allowing the Port of Bar and the State of Alabama
46 to benefit from regional and international cooperation
47 promoting the interests of each stakeholder.

48 (5) Establishing cooperation on best practices for
49 economic development and the growth of multi-modal
50 operations, to include city-port relations.