

## HJR337 INTRODUCED



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3 By Representative Paschal  
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4 HJR\_\_\_ RECOGNIZING THE 250TH ANNIVERSARIES OF THE UNITED  
5 STATES ARMY, NAVY, AND MARINE CORPS AND ENCOURAGING  
6 COMMEMORATIVE ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ALABAMA.  
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8 WHEREAS, a statewide initiative has been proposed by  
9 the Alabama Semiquincentennial Commission ([america250al.org](http://america250al.org))  
10 to honor our veterans as part of the lead-up to the 250th  
11 anniversary of the Declaration of Independence on July 4,  
12 2026; and

13 WHEREAS, the United States Army was established on  
14 June 14, 1775; the United States Navy on October 13, 1775;  
15 and the United States Marine Corps on November 10, 1775;  
16 each playing a vital role in the founding and enduring  
17 strength of the United States of America; and

18 WHEREAS, 2025 marks the 250th anniversary of the  
19 founding of these esteemed branches of the United States  
20 Armed Forces, which have faithfully served the nation  
21 through centuries of conflict and peace, upholding the  
22 Constitution, defending our freedoms, and protecting  
23 American citizens and interests both at home and abroad; and

24 WHEREAS, Alabama is proud to be home to numerous  
25 military installations, including Redstone Arsenal,  
26 Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base, Fort Novosel, and other  
27 Department of Defense facilities that support Army, Navy,  
28 and Marine Corps missions and personnel; and



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29 WHEREAS, approximately 400,000 veterans, along with  
30 thousands of active-duty service members, reservists,  
31 veteran students, and their families reside in the  
32 Yellowhammer State, contributing to our communities with  
33 their leadership, skills, and patriotism, including the 16  
34 veterans currently serving in the Alabama House of  
35 Representatives; and

36 WHEREAS, Alabama is proud to be one of the most  
37 veteran-friendly states in the nation; and

38 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to recognize the  
39 immense historical significance and continued contributions  
40 of the United States Army, Navy, and Marine Corps to the  
41 security and prosperity of the United States; now therefore,

42 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
43 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we do hereby acknowledge and  
44 commemorate the 250th birthdays of the United States Army,  
45 Navy, and Marine Corps, and express profound gratitude for  
46 the valor, service, and sacrifice of all who have served and  
47 continue to serve in these branches of the Armed Forces.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we encourage military  
49 installations, Department of Defense personnel, veterans,  
50 veteran service organizations, and all Alabamians to join in  
51 this historic observance by hosting or participating in  
52 appropriate commemorative activities, including, but not  
53 limited to, cake-cutting ceremonies on:

54 (1) June 14, 2025, for the United States Army;

55 (2) October 13, 2025, for the United States Navy; and



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56                   (3) November 10, 2025, for the United States Marine  
57 Corps.

58                   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
59 resolution be provided to the Adjutant General of Alabama,  
60 the commanders of military installations across the state,  
61 and major veterans organizations, so that they may share in  
62 this expression of appreciation and celebration.  
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