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4 HR_____ COMMENDING DEPUTY BRAD BUSH AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE
5 2025 ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.
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8 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendations that we
9 recognize Deputy Brad Bush as the recipient of the 2025
10 Alabama Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement,
11 Alabama's highest law enforcement award, which is awarded
12 for extraordinary courage in the line of duty; and

13 WHEREAS, on February 17, 2024, Shelby County 911
14 received a call from a concerned resident who had received
15 what was described as an accidental phone call from an
16 elderly neighbor who was in a verbal dispute with her adult
17 grandson; the resident reported hearing the adult verbally
18 abusing his grandmother and stating that he would kill law
19 enforcement if they came to their home; and

20 WHEREAS, Deputy Brad Bush, along with one other
21 Sheriff's Office deputy, arrived at the residence and made
22 contact with a male just outside the front door; the male
23 told deputies everything at the home was fine and there was
24 not a problem; Deputy Bush noted some signs of deception and
25 a bulge in the front pocket of the male's sweatshirt that
26 was consistent with a handgun; Deputy Bush moved toward the
27 male to conduct a "pat-down" search as the subject began to
28 move away and place his right hand into the front pocket of



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29 his hoodie sweatshirt; and

30 WHEREAS, Deputy Bush moved in from behind to grab the
31 right hand and wrist of the male as the subject continued to
32 turn away from Deputy Bush; Deputy Bush locked his grip onto
33 the wrist of the male who was beginning to draw a
34 semi-automatic handgun from his pocket; the loaded handgun
35 fully emerged from the pocket of the male, and he began to
36 raise it in the direction of the other deputy on the scene
37 who was moving in to assist; and

38 WHEREAS, Deputy Bush kept his tight grip on the
39 male's wrist with just one of his own hands and worked to
40 keep the subject from raising the gun further; as the
41 struggle ensued, the male was able to fire a round from his
42 handgun, piercing the jacket of the other deputy; and

43 WHEREAS, Deputy Bush refused to give up his grip on
44 the male and was able to take him to the ground; he laid on
45 the ground with control of the subject's weapon until both
46 deputies were able to get the weapon and take the subject
47 into custody; and

48 WHEREAS, Deputy Brad Bush's keen observations and
49 quick actions on this day is credited for potentially saving
50 the life of a Shelby County Deputy, who in an attempt to
51 subdue the suspect had placed himself in extreme danger;
52 Deputy Bush was committed to not letting the subject get out
53 of his grasp and be able to use his weapon on the deputies;
54 and

55 WHEREAS, for his heroic actions and extreme bravery
56 in the face of danger, Deputy Brad Bush is highly honored



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57 and deserving to be recognized with the 2025 Legislative
58 Medal of Honor; now therefore,

59 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
60 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we hereby recognize and honor
61 Deputy Brad Bush as the recipient of the 2025 Legislative
62 Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement, and we dedicate this
63 resolution to him in utmost gratitude, admiration, and
64 esteem.