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DG16ANN-1 05/05/2025 evp (L)evp 2025-1856 1 2 3 HR RECOGNIZING THE 250TH ANNIVERSARIES OF THE UNITED 4 5 STATES ARMY, NAVY, AND MARINE CORPS AND ENCOURAGING COMMEMORATIVE ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ALABAMA. 6 7 8 WHEREAS, a statewide initiative has been proposed by 9 the Alabama Semiquincentennial Commission (america250al.org) 10 to honor our veterans as part of the lead-up to the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 11 12 2026; and 13 WHEREAS, the United States Army was established on June 14, 1775; the United States Navy on October 13, 1775; 14 15 and the United States Marine Corps on November 10, 1775; each playing a vital role in the founding and enduring 16 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 Armed Forces, which have faithfully served the nation 20 21 through centuries of conflict and peace, upholding the 22 Constitution, defending our freedoms, and protecting American citizens and interests both at home and abroad; and 23 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, and Marine Corps missions and personnel; and 28

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we do hereby acknowledge and commemorate the 250th birthdays of the United States Army, Navy, and Marine Corps, and express profound gratitude for the valor, service, and sacrifice of all who have served and continue to serve in these branches of the Armed Forces.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we encourage military installations, Department of Defense personnel, veterans, veteran service organizations, and all Alabamians to join in this historic observance by hosting or participating in appropriate commemorative activities, including, but not 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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57 (3) November 10, 2025, for the United States Marine58 Corps.

59 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this 60 resolution be provided to the Adjutant General of Alabama, 61 the commanders of military installations across the state, 62 and major veterans organizations, so that they may share in 63 this expression of appreciation and celebration. 64