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SJR COMMENDING ALABAMA'S 2024 EXPORT SALES AND 3 RECOGNIZING ALABAMA'S INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND EXPORT 4 5 PROFESSIONALS, TRADE PARTNERSHIPS, AND ALABAMA BUSINESSES THAT EXPORT THEIR PRODUCTS. 6 7 8 WHEREAS, Alabama's international exports continue to 9 be one of the state's most powerful economic engines, totaling over \$26.8 billion in 2024; and 10 11 WHEREAS, despite the challenges of uncertain global 12 trade issues, Alabama has maintained and strengthened its reputation as a reliable, world-class exporter of the finest 13 14 goods and services, underscoring the resilience of Alabama's 15 economy; and WHEREAS, to meet international consumer demands, 16 exports of goods and services from Alabama were shipped to 17 201 countries in 2024; and 18 19 WHEREAS, Alabama exports a variety of products worldwide, such as, vehicles, transportation equipment, 20 agricultural products, chemicals, minerals, iron, steel, 21 22 machinery, and paper products; and 23 WHEREAS, Alabama's number one export category is transportation equipment, which includes motor vehicles, 24 25 auto parts, and aerospace products; the overseas shipments 26 totaled \$13.7 billion; and WHEREAS, Alabama's transportation equipment exports 27 28 were followed by minerals and ore at \$2.5 billion and

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29 primary metals at \$2.2 billion; and

30 WHEREAS, there is a worldwide demand for quality 31 goods and services; Alabama exports are much sought after by 32 international consumers; and Alabama-based products are 33 second-to-none in quality; and

34 WHEREAS, Alabama's business community, long known for 35 its resilience and ability to innovate during recent 36 unprecedented times, will promise long-term growth in 2025; 37 and

38 WHEREAS, we recognize the dedication and world-class professionalism of Alabama's trade and export professionals, 39 40 including, the Alabama Department of Commerce, the Alabama 41 Department of Agriculture and Industries, the Port of 42 Mobile, Export Alabama Alliance, trade organizations, and 43 trade research groups; Alabama's manufacturing and transportation sectors, agriculture, and small businesses 44 45 that export their products worldwide; and the hard working 46 men and women who are the backbone of Alabama's export and trade sector; now therefore, 47

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That international trade contributes significantly to Alabama's economy and sustains thousands of high-paying jobs; we congratulate all of those who have contributed to Alabama's 2024 export performance, and we encourage the continued growth of Alabama's "Made in Alabama" brand of exports to the global marketplace.