

**SJR87 ENROLLED**



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3 By Senators Allen, Albritton, Barfoot, Beasley, Bell, Butler,  
4 Carnley, Chambliss, Chesteen, Coleman, Coleman-Madison,  
5 Elliott, Figures, Givhan, Gudger, Hatcher, Hovey, Jones,  
6 Kelley, Kitchens, Livingston, Melson, Orr, Price, Roberts,  
7 Sessions, Shelnut, Singleton, Smitherman, Stewart, Stutts,  
8 Waggoner, Weaver, Williams

9 RFD: Rules

10 First Read: 01-May-25



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 SJR\_\_\_\_ RECOGNIZING MAY 19, 2025, AS A DAY OF HOPE IN THE  
5 STATE OF ALABAMA.  
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7 WHEREAS, childhood cancer is the leading cause of  
8 disease-related death among children, affecting one in 285  
9 children in the United States before their 20th birthday;  
10 each day, 46 children, totaling approximately 16,790  
11 annually, are diagnosed with cancer in the U.S., with an  
12 average age of just six years old at the time of diagnosis;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, H.U.G.S. 4 Childhood Cancer, a 501(c)(3)  
15 nonprofit organization, stands as a beacon of hope and  
16 strength for children and families battling childhood  
17 cancer, working tirelessly to bring meaningful change to  
18 those whose lives have been forever impacted by the disease;  
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20 WHEREAS, H.U.G.S. was founded by the Adams family in  
21 honor of Hannah Adams and her personal journey with  
22 childhood cancer that started 16 years ago on May 19, 2009,  
23 and of which she is now a survivor; and

24 WHEREAS, H.U.G.S., which stands for Helping U Get  
25 Stronger, focuses on three key pillars of its mission:  
26 legislative education, family support, and community  
27 awareness, ensuring comprehensive advocacy and assistance  
28 for children and families battling cancer; and



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29           WHEREAS, H.U.G.S. focuses on impacting the  
30   legislative process through advocating to create more  
31   funding for childhood cancer research; emphasizes the impact  
32   on a family when a child is diagnosed with cancer and works  
33   to support that family; encourages local communities to  
34   become involved in helping children with childhood cancer  
35   overcome their illness; and works alongside incredible  
36   organizations like the Alabama Department of Public Health,  
37   Alabama Cancer Control Coalition, Kids V Cancer, among many  
38   others; and

39           WHEREAS, through partnering with the Alabama  
40   Department of Public Health, H.U.G.S. will continue  
41   supplying care packages to children and families with  
42   resources and support materials, as well as improving  
43   survivorship efforts for childhood cancer by educating state  
44   leaders, supporting families, and increasing awareness in  
45   local communities; and

46           WHEREAS, H.U.G.S. 4 Childhood Cancer will do  
47   everything possible for there to be a day when no child will  
48   ever hear the words "you have cancer"; now therefore,

49           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
50   HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That May 19, 2025, shall be known  
51   as A Day of Hope in the State of Alabama, and the residents  
52   of Alabama are encouraged to recognize this day for its  
53   importance in promoting childhood cancer awareness.



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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 01-May-25

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and  
passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives

Passed: 06-May-25

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By: Senator Allen