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3 By Representatives Bedsole, Reynolds, Treadaway, Stringer,
4 Moore (P), Pettus, Hendrix
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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 COMMENDING SENIOR TROOPER HUNTER WOODRUFF AS A RECIPIENT OF
4 THE 2026 ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD FOR
5 LAW ENFORCEMENT.

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7 WHEREAS, it is with the highest commendation that the
8 Legislature of Alabama recognizes Senior Trooper Hunter
9 Woodruff as a recipient of the 2026 Alabama Legislative
10 Meritorious Service Award for Law Enforcement in recognition
11 of extraordinary courage and decisive action in the line of
12 duty; and

13 WHEREAS, on November 12, 2025, while traveling east
14 on Highway 14 in Autauga County, Trooper Woodruff observed a
15 Prattville Police Department vehicle traveling at a high
16 rate of speed with emergency equipment activated;
17 recognizing the urgency of the situation, he immediately
18 activated his own emergency equipment and followed the
19 officer in order to render assistance if needed; and

20 WHEREAS, Trooper Woodruff followed the Prattville
21 officer to an apartment complex off Covered Bridge Parkway
22 in Prattville, where they were advised of a gunshot victim
23 lying on the ground nearby; upon locating the victim,
24 Trooper Woodruff immediately began rendering lifesaving
25 first aid; and

26 WHEREAS, after identifying two gunshot wounds to the
27 victim's left side, Trooper Woodruff quickly removed the
28 victim's clothing, applied a sterilized clotting agent, and



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29 applied gauze with direct pressure to the wounds, thereby
30 stemming further blood loss; and

31 WHEREAS, Trooper Woodruff continued speaking with the
32 victim to keep him calm and to help prevent the onset of
33 traumatic shock until paramedics arrived on the scene and
34 transported the victim to the hospital for further
35 treatment; and

36 WHEREAS, according to Prattville Fire Chief Josh
37 Bingham, Trooper Woodruff's swift actions and proper
38 application of first aid were instrumental in saving the
39 life of Mr. Gilbert; such conduct reflects the highest
40 standards of the law enforcement profession and exemplifies
41 the courage, dedication, and professionalism expected of
42 those who serve and protect the residents of Alabama; now
43 therefore,

44 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
45 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend
46 Senior Trooper Hunter Woodruff as a recipient of the 2026
47 Alabama Legislative Meritorious Service Award for Law
48 Enforcement and dedicate this resolution to him with
49 profound gratitude, admiration, and esteem for his exemplary
50 service to the people of this state.

