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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 SEEKING ALMIGHTY GOD'S HAND OF EVER-PRESENT MERCY AND

4 HEALING ON ALABAMA.

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6 WHEREAS, we acknowledge that our national and state

7 founders trusted in the omnipotent hand of Providence to

8 bless our land and to guide their actions; and

9 WHEREAS, we recognize that these founders established

10 our nation and our state on the Judeo-Christian values

11 outlined in the Bible, including the concept that

12 governments are established by God to protect the rights of

13 the individual and the teachings to "do unto others as we

14 would have them do unto us" and to love our neighbors as

15 ourselves, and that from these ideas, the spirit of

16 Alabama's hospitality flows; and

17 WHEREAS, the framers of the United States

18 Constitution, recognizing free exercise of religion as an

19 unalienable right, secured its protection in the First

20 Amendment to the Constitution, and the framers of the

21 Constitution of Alabama of 2022, also recognizing this

22 right, secured the protection of religious freedom in

23 Article I, Section 3; and

24 WHEREAS, we understand that only a continued

25 commitment and adherence to these values and the laws of

26 Nature and Nature's God, coupled with a dedication to our

27 Constitution, can thwart the forthcoming attacks against our

28 state values; and



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29 WHEREAS, we are thankful that Alabama has been  
30 blessed by Providence with abundant resources and a  
31 prosperity resultant from liberty; and

32 WHEREAS, we are grateful for the periods of economic  
33 stability Alabama has enjoyed; and

34 WHEREAS, despite these blessings, our citizens and  
35 neighbors still continue to face many challenges; and

36 WHEREAS, our citizens and neighbors continue to have  
37 concerns about the security of our national borders and  
38 attacks on our institutions and way of life; and

39 WHEREAS, exposing, resisting, and removing corruption  
40 from all levels of government is vital to maintaining  
41 liberty for all citizens; and

42 WHEREAS, we ask that true justice and the rule of God  
43 be established out of Alabama; let people of kingdom  
44 understanding now be positioned to rule; let kingdom minded  
45 statesmen and stateswomen arise; let Alabama be known across  
46 the nation as a land where justice and God's rule are  
47 established; let Alabama be a model state to the entire  
48 nation in the name of Jesus; and

49 WHEREAS, human trafficking (slavery) was, is, and  
50 forever will be an unacceptable evil in our state and nation  
51 that destroys the lives of thousands, depriving them of  
52 their Creator-endowed rights to Life, Liberty, and the  
53 Pursuit of Happiness; and

54 WHEREAS, acts of criminal violence in our communities  
55 are and will remain unacceptable; and

56 WHEREAS, the dependence on and the addiction to drugs



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57 and alcohol will continue to overwhelm our government  
58 finances, our health care and mental health systems, and our  
59 law enforcement resources, adversely affecting workforce  
60 productivity and damaging families; and

61 WHEREAS, building strong and committed families where  
62 the father and mother are committed to one another, their  
63 children, and their community is foundational to a healthy  
64 Alabama; and

65 WHEREAS, the suicidal and infanticidal tendencies  
66 bombarding our culture from all directions belie the truth  
67 that everyone's life has value because we are created in the  
68 image of God; and

69 WHEREAS, Alabama is a pro-life state, and the  
70 sanctity of life is recognized and supported in the  
71 Constitution of Alabama of 2022 from the moment of  
72 conception; this is a foundational principle that must be  
73 protected; and

74 WHEREAS, we know that societies that fail to honor  
75 all life cannot survive; and

76 WHEREAS, throughout our history, our leaders have  
77 called people to seek the Creator's favor and mercy by  
78 issuing proclamations like the one issued by John Adams on  
79 March 23, 1798:

80 "As the safety and prosperity of nations ultimately  
81 and essentially depend on the protection and the blessing of  
82 Almighty God; and the national acknowledgment of this truth  
83 is not only an indispensable duty which the People owe to  
84 Him, but a duty whose natural influence is favorable to the



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85 promotion of that Morality and Piety, without which social  
86 Happiness cannot exist nor the Blessings of a Free  
87 Government be enjoyed; and as this Duty, at all times  
88 incumbent, is so especially in seasons of Difficulty or of  
89 Danger, when existing or threatening Calamities, the just  
90 Judgments of God against prevalent Iniquity, are a loud call  
91 to Repentance and Reformation...Under these considerations  
92 it has appeared to me that the Duty of imploring the Mercy  
93 and Benediction of Heaven on our Country demands, at this  
94 time, a special attention from its Inhabitants"; and

95 WHEREAS, we recognize our duty to legislate  
96 responsibly but also understand that solving these problems  
97 will require the blessing and protection of Almighty God and  
98 a unity of purpose within our communities; and

99 WHEREAS, we hold that "...except the Lord keep the  
100 city, the watchman waketh but in vain" (Ps. 127:1(b)); now,  
101 therefore,

102 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
103 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the period of September 1  
104 through September 30 of each year be recognized as a time of  
105 prayer and fasting in Alabama.

106 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we desire the continued  
107 blessing of Almighty God on Alabama, recognizing that He, as  
108 Creator and the King of all Glory, holds all authority to  
109 both judge and bless nations, states, and peoples.

110 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we recognize our sins  
111 and shortcomings, both individually and as a people, and  
112 humbly ask His forgiveness.



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113           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we ask the Lord Jesus to  
114 remove corruption, criminal violence, and addiction from our  
115 state and our nation, restore marriages and strengthen  
116 families, and bring about a righteous unity of vision and  
117 purpose for all Alabamians.

118           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we ask the Holy Spirit  
119 to move within the halls of government, our classrooms, our  
120 businesses, our places of worship, and our homes, bringing  
121 peace, hope, love, kindness, goodness, gentleness,  
122 faithfulness, temperance, forbearance, and joy.

123           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we call upon those who  
124 are physically able and spiritually inclined to join with us  
125 annually during the month of September in a season of prayer  
126 and fasting, humbling ourselves before Him, asking His  
127 forgiveness, and seeking His blessings, grace, and mercy so  
128 that we, our communities, our state, and our nation will be  
129 transformed.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in  
and was passed by the House 29-Jan-26.

John Treadwell  
Clerk

Senate

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**12-Feb-26**

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