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4 HJR____ RECOGNIZING THE SECOND SUNDAY IN SEPTEMBER AS LOUIS
5 VUITTON THE PIT BULL DAY.

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7 WHEREAS, Louis Vuitton, a Pit Bull from Montgomery,
8 Alabama, became a national symbol of resilience and survival
9 after enduring a horrific act of animal cruelty in September
10 2007; and

11 WHEREAS, despite suffering severe beatings and
12 life-threatening burns, Louis Vuitton underwent 33 surgeries
13 and made a miraculous recovery, demonstrating an indomitable
14 spirit that captured the hearts of animal lovers across the
15 country; and

16 WHEREAS, the prosecution of Louis Vuitton's abuser
17 resulted in a record-breaking sentence of nine and one-half
18 years, the longest for any animal cruelty in Alabama at the
19 time, and was the first felony case tried under the landmark
20 "Gucci's Law"; and

21 WHEREAS, the tragic link between animal abuse and
22 human violence was demonstrated when Louis Vuitton's abuser
23 later committed murder following his release, underscoring
24 that preventing animal cruelty is a matter of broader public
25 safety; and

26 WHEREAS, Louis Vuitton spent his remaining years as a
27 beloved member of the Hartley family in Wetumpka, serving as
28 a symbol of hope for animal rights until his passing in

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29 2018; and

30 WHEREAS, it is fitting to designate a day to honor
31 Louis Vuitton's legacy and to raise awareness for the
32 protection of all animals from abuse; now therefore,

33 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
34 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the second Sunday of
35 September is hereby recognized as Louis Vuitton the Pit Bull
36 Day in the State of Alabama, and all residents are
37 encouraged to observe this day by supporting local animal
38 shelters and advocating for the humane treatment of animals.