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HR_____ DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF MAY 2026 AS JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH.

WHEREAS, Jewish citizens have been part of Alabama's history since at least 1785 and have played an important role in the development of this state, contributing significantly to Alabama's culture, history, economy, and civic life; and

WHEREAS, Jewish American Heritage Month is an annual celebration of the history, culture, and contributions of Jewish Americans and an opportunity to recognize the enduring legacy of Jewish faith and tradition in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Jewish community has faced historical struggles and challenges, including discrimination and persecution, yet has demonstrated resilience and a deep commitment to justice, compassion, and service; and

WHEREAS, the Jewish tenet of *tikkun olam*, meaning "repairing the world," has inspired generations to pursue justice, charitable service, and civic engagement within Alabama communities; and

WHEREAS, Jewish American Heritage Month provides an opportunity to promote understanding, acceptance, and respect among people of all faiths and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, since 2006, the month of May has been



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29 proclaimed by the President of the United States as Jewish
30 American Heritage Month pursuant to a bipartisan resolution
31 of Congress; now therefore,

32 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
33 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the month of May 2026 is hereby
34 designated as Jewish American Heritage Month in Alabama.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the citizens of Alabama
36 are encouraged to observe this month through education,
37 reflection, and recognition of the lasting contributions of
38 Jewish Americans to this state and nation; and

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
40 resolution be transmitted to representatives of Alabama's
41 Jewish community in recognition of this observance.