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4 SJR____ ENCOURAGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO
5 ADDRESS THE CRISIS OF SEXTORTION AND CHILD EXPLOITATION.

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7 WHEREAS, sexual predators use technology to reach
8 into our homes and target vulnerable children; sextortion
9 occurs when an offender coerces a minor to create and send
10 sexually explicit images or video, then threatens to release
11 that compromising material unless the victim produces more;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, from October 2021 to March 2023, the FBI and
14 Homeland Security received over 13,000 reports of online
15 financial sextortion of minors, involving at least 12,600
16 victims, primarily boys, that led to at least 20 suicides;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, elected leaders have a duty to protect
19 children, the most innocent and vulnerable among us, from
20 this burgeoning national crisis; and

21 WHEREAS, in Alabama, the Legislature has enacted Act
22 2025-302 to expand the definition of "sexual extortion" to
23 include coercion and Act 2025-386 to limit Internet access
24 by students on public school property to only
25 age-appropriate websites; while these laws represent
26 progress, this is not an issue that can be solved by one
27 state alone; and

28 WHEREAS, federal intervention and attention is



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29 necessary to protect children from online sexual
30 exploitation; families should feel confident that the issue
31 is being seen, understood, and taken seriously at the
32 highest level of leadership; now therefore,

33 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
34 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we strongly encourage the
35 President of the United States to prioritize the growing
36 crisis of sextortion and child exploitation by naming
37 sextortion as the number one domestic issue facing American
38 families in the upcoming State of the Union address.