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4 Barfoot, Beasley, Bell, Butler, Carnley, Chambliss, Chesteen,
5 Coleman, Coleman-Madison, Elliott, Figures, Givhan, Gudger,
6 Hatcher, Hovey, Kelley, Kitchens, Livingston, Melson, Orr,
7 Price, Roberts, Sessions, Shelnut, Smitherman, Stewart,
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SJR___ COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA ON ITS UPCOMING RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS FACILITY AND STUDENT VETERANS CENTER.

WHEREAS, it is with great respect and sincere admiration that we commend The University of Alabama (UA) for its continued long-standing commitment to provide resources for students training to become part of our nation's Armed Forces, as well as those who have already served, with the construction of a new facility dedicated to the military community; and

WHEREAS, the nearly 20,000 square-foot Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) Facility and Student Veterans Center will be located on the east side of campus near the Student Recreation Center; and

WHEREAS, creating a facility that meets today's military training standards while also supporting students academically is a powerful investment in their success; this space will help UA's cadets and student veterans grow as scholars, teammates, and future leaders; and

WHEREAS, the center will give Army and Air Force ROTC cadets access to a modern training facility that meets updated military training and testing standards; expanded spaces will support physical conditioning and advanced training tools, including combat simulators and leadership



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29 reaction courses; these interactive technologies strengthen
30 individual skills and support leadership development; and

31 WHEREAS, the facility will also offer a space to
32 enhance resources for veterans on campus, bringing together
33 student and faculty veterans to share their experiences and
34 successes with ROTC cadets as well as assisting student
35 veterans in the transition from military to college life;
36 and

37 WHEREAS, construction of the Reserve Officers'
38 Training Corps Facility and Student Veterans Center is
39 scheduled to be complete in spring 2027; now therefore,

40 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
41 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That The University of Alabama is
42 hereby commended for its vision, leadership, and dedication
43 in constructing a Reserve Officers' Training Corps Facility
44 and Student Veterans Center, and for continuing to serve as
45 a model for institutions of higher education by investing in
46 initiatives that empower veterans and future military
47 leaders.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
49 resolution be presented to The University of Alabama as a
50 token of our sincere appreciation for the University's
51 ongoing support of military-affiliated students and its
52 contributions to strengthening the nation's leadership and
53 defense.