

1 HJR135
2 149911-2
3 By Representative Merrill
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 05-MAR-13

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,
3 RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 25 AS "STAND STRONG DAY" IN
4 ALABAMA.

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6 WHEREAS, bullying is a national problem in schools
7 and communities, as nine out of ten students from 4th to 8th
8 Grade reported that they have been bullied at least once; and

9 WHEREAS, the Tuscaloosa City Schools system has
10 established a Harassment Awareness Learning Together (HALT)
11 program to combat bullying; and

12 WHEREAS, The University of Alabama Bateman Team
13 created the "I Can" campaign to support the Tuscaloosa City
14 Schools' HALT program; and

15 WHEREAS, commendations and congratulations are
16 herein conveyed to The University of Alabama Bateman Team on
17 combatting bullying in Tuscaloosa City middle schools with the
18 "I Can" campaign; and

19 WHEREAS, throughout the month of February, The UA
20 Bateman Team members were involved in leading middle school
21 students in positive team-building activities; and

22 WHEREAS, this event should be repeated annually to
23 encourage sustainability of statewide anti-bullying awareness;
24 now therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
2 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That February 25 is recognized as
3 "Stand Strong Day" in Alabama to acknowledge the importance of
4 uniting the community under one goal: to make Alabama a
5 bully-free state.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and was adopted by the House 02-APR-13.

Jeff Woodard
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Senate	<hr/> 02-MAY-13 <hr/>	Adopted
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