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ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,
COMMENDING FRANKLIN COUNTY ON ITS BICENTENNIAL
CELEBRATION.

WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly
presented to Franklin County on the momentous occasion of its
200th birthday celebration; and

WHEREAS, the celebration will begin on February 6,
2018 with an unveiling of the Franklin County Historical
Marker that will be placed at the Franklin County Archives
Building located in Russellville, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2018, the county will hold a
Pioneer Days Festival at Sloss Lake in Russellville featuring
live history demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County, named in honor of Benjamin
Franklin, was established by the Alabama Territorial
Legislature in February 1818; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County, rich in business and
industry, is home to Tiffin Motorhomes, Sunshine Mills,
Sunshine Homes, Gates Rubber, G and G Steel, and Pilgrim's
Pride; and

WHEREAS, it is rich in nature with camping, hiking
trails and water recreation at Bear Creek Lakes, Dismals

1 Canyon, Rock Bridge Canyon Equestrian Park, Cypress Cove Farm,
2 and North Alabama Birding Trail; and

3 WHEREAS, Franklin County is rich in attractions with
4 King's Drive-in, Red Bay Family Water Park, Red Bay Museum,
5 and the Historic Roxy Theater; and is known as the Watermelon
6 Capital of Alabama; and

7 WHEREAS, according to a 2000 census, Franklin County
8 has a population of 31,704 residents; and

9 WHEREAS, Franklin County is governed by the Franklin
10 County Commission which is chaired by its Probate Judge and
11 four commissioners; and

12 WHEREAS, celebration of 200 years is a huge
13 milestone and Franklin County is proud of its thriving
14 businesses, quality schools, fertile lands, and its services
15 to the residents who consider it a great place to live, work,
16 and play; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Franklin County is highly
19 honored and commended on the occasion of its Bicentennial
20 Celebration, and this resolution is offered with deepest
21 admiration and appreciation, along with sincere best wishes
22 for a momentous bicentennial celebration.

