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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Baker and Rowe
4 RFD: Rules
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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING LIEUTENANT GREG MCGHEE AND OFFICER KRIS
4 RONEY OF THE SCOTTSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT AS NOMINEES FOR THE
5 2018 ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.
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7 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
8 recognize Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris Roney of the
9 Scottsboro Police Department as nominees for the 2018 Alabama
10 Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement, Alabama's
11 highest law enforcement award for extraordinary courage in the
12 line of duty; and

13 WHEREAS, while effecting a felony robbery arrest at
14 the intersection of Highway 72 and Snodgrass Road on August
15 10, 2017, Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris Roney
16 witnessed a vehicle that was traveling west on Highway 72
17 leave the roadway, crash into an embankment, and partially
18 overturn; they drove their patrol cars a short distance,
19 exited their vehicles, and ran toward the flame engulfed
20 vehicle; while Lieutenant McGhee warded off the fire with a
21 fire extinguisher and searched for occupants inside the
22 vehicle, Officer Roney climbed into the overturned vehicle's
23 broken sunroof and located the driver, Jennifer Nicole
24 Brownfield, 39, of Scottsboro, Alabama; Officer Roney ensured
25 there was no one else inside the vehicle before coaxing Ms.

1 Brownfield to stand, grabbing her from under her arms, and
2 pulling her out of the burning vehicle; Officer Roney carried
3 Ms. Brownfield to a safe distance so she would not incur harm
4 in case the vehicle should explode; Lieutenant McGhee
5 continued to douse the fire and ensure that no other occupants
6 were inside the smoke filled vehicle; and

7 WHEREAS, placed in a life-threatening situation and
8 without a moment's hesitation, Lieutenant Greg McGhee and
9 Officer Kris Roney placed themselves in the line of peril and
10 saved a life; for their meritorious actions, Lieutenant McGhee
11 and Officer Kris Roney received the Scottsboro Police
12 Department Life Saving Certificate; and

13 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris
14 Roney demonstrated immense courage, diligence, and quick
15 response in a life-threatening situation; their loyalty and
16 unwavering commitment to protect and serve the residents of
17 Scottsboro were evidenced through their willingness to make
18 the quick and proper response in order to protect the lives of
19 others; and

20 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris
21 Roney epitomize the qualities of those who serve and protect,
22 and they are truly deserving of this distinguished nomination
23 for the Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement; now
24 therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
2 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby recognize and honor
3 Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris Roney as nominees for
4 the 2018 Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement and
5 direct that they receive a copy of this resolution as evidence
6 of our admiration and esteem.

