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3 By Representatives Coleman, Allen, Baker (A), Baker (L), Ball,
4 Bandy, Barton, Beasley, Beech, Bentley, Black, Boothe, Boyd,
5 Bridges, Brown, Buskey, Canfield, Clouse, Collier, Curtis,
6 Davis, DeMarco, Drake, Dukes, England, Faust, Fields, Fincher,
7 Ford, Galliher, Gaston, Gipson, Gordon, Graham, Grantland,
8 Greeson, Grimes, Guin, Hall, Hammett, Hammon, Harper, Hill,
9 Hilliard, Hinshaw, Holmes, Howard, Hubbard, Hurst, Irons,
10 Ison, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, Knight, Laird, Letson, Lewis,
11 Lindsey, Love, Martin, Mask, McAdory, McCampbell, McClammy,
12 McClendon, McClurkin, McCutcheon, McDaniel, McLaughlin,
13 McMillan, Millican, Mitchell, Moore (M), Moore (P), Morrow,
14 Newton (C), Newton (D), Oden, Page, Payne, Robinson (J),
15 Robinson (O), Rogers, Salaam, Sanderford, Scott, Sherer,
16 Shiver, Spicer, Taylor, Thigpen, Thomas (E), Thomas (J), Todd,
17 Treadaway, Vance, Ward, Warren, White, Williams (J), Williams
18 (P), Wood and Wren
19 RFD:
20 First Read: 14-APR-10

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING FREDDIE H.E. JONES, II, FOR ORGANIZING
4 THE CELEBRATION IN HONOR OF VIETNAM VETERANS.

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6 WHEREAS, it is a privilege to recognize and commend
7 Freddie H.E. Jones, II, for organizing a special ceremony to
8 honor our Vietnam Veterans on April 30, 2010, in Birmingham,
9 Alabama; and

10 WHEREAS, although it has been 37 years since the
11 Vietnam Veterans served the cause of justice in Southeast
12 Asia, their commitment and dedication continues to deserve the
13 highest praise; and

14 WHEREAS, in 2007, the United States Congress, by
15 separate Senate and House Resolutions, declared that a Welcome
16 Home Vietnam Veterans Day should be established; and

17 WHEREAS, Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day is
18 observed in many states each year, recognizing the
19 contributions and honoring the sacrifices of our valiant
20 veterans;

21 WHEREAS, the Vietnam War was fought in Vietnam from
22 1961 to 1975, and involved North Vietnam and the Viet Cong in
23 conflict with the United States and South Vietnam; and

1 WHEREAS, in 1965, there were 80,000 United States
2 troops in Vietnam, and by 1969, a peak of approximately
3 543,000 troops was reached; and

4 WHEREAS, on January 27, 1973, the Treaty of Paris
5 was signed, which required the release of all United States
6 prisoners of war held in North Vietnam and the withdrawal of
7 all United States Armed Forces from South Vietnam; and

8 WHEREAS, on March 30, 1973, the United States Armed
9 Forces completed the withdrawal of combat troops from Vietnam;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, more than 58,000 members of the United
12 States Armed Forces lost their lives in Vietnam and more than
13 300,000 were wounded; and

14 WHEREAS, some 1,200 members from Alabama were
15 mortally wounded while countless others were injured; for each
16 of those 1,200 members, there are family members and friends
17 around the state and the nation whose suffering knows no
18 bounds; and

19 WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Alabama owe
20 never-ending gratitude to our soldiers in Vietnam who
21 courageously defended American freedoms against ruthless
22 enemies, yet no amount of gratitude can adequately compensate
23 these patriots for their pain, suffering, and disruption to
24 their lives; and

1 WHEREAS, we welcome the Vietnam Veterans to our
2 communities as people who love this county and who have put
3 their lives at stake for freedom and democracy for all, and
4 their service should never be forgotten; now therefore,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
6 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Freddie H.E. Jones, II, is
7 recognized and commended for organizing the special ceremony
8 to honor our valiant Vietnam Veterans on April 30, 2010, in
9 Birmingham, and this resolution is offered in highest tribute
10 and deepest appreciation to him on behalf of the citizens of
11 the State of Alabama, who hold him in great esteem.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 14-APR-10.

Greg Pappas
Clerk

Senate

21-APR-10

Adopted