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HR_____ COMMENDING COLONEL ROBERT ALLEN KING FOR HIS
COMMITTED SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE.

WHEREAS, with great pride and special pleasure, we highly commend Colonel Robert Allen King for his many years of committed service to the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Colonel King is assigned as the Commander of the 117th Air Refueling Wing, Sumpter Smith Joint National Guard Base, Birmingham, Alabama; he is responsible for providing leadership and direction for over 1,000 military professionals, as well as overseeing all operational aspects in support of Air Mobility Command and the 177th Air Refueling Wing's mission of performing global air refueling, airlift, and aeromedical evacuation in direct support of the Air Force's Global Reach, Global Power missions; he began his Air Force career in 1985 as an Honor Graduate from Basic Military Training at Lackland Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, some of Colonel King's notable Air Force achievements include quickly moving through the ranks before being promoted to Colonel on June 2, 2016; having extensive NATO experience directing tanker and airlift aircraft at various combined air operation centers; serving in



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26 leadership positions as staff and crew in multiple
27 operations around the world; and having more than 4,800
28 flight hours; he holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from The
29 University of Alabama at Birmingham; and

30 WHEREAS, Colonel King has received numerous awards
31 and decorations, namely Meritorious Service Medal with two
32 oak leaf clusters, Air Medal with one oak leaf cluster,
33 Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Joint
34 Service Commendation Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal
35 with one oak leaf cluster, Joint Service Achievement Medal
36 with one oak leaf cluster, Air Force Achievement Medal with
37 one oak leaf cluster, Combat Readiness Medal with one silver
38 and three oak leaf clusters, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with
39 one oak leaf cluster, Iraq Campaign Medal with one oak leaf
40 cluster, Armed Forces Service Medal with two oak leaf
41 clusters, Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with
42 two oak leaf clusters, and NATO Medal; and

43 WHEREAS, a courageous and inspirational leader who
44 has diligently guided and assisted many, Colonel King is
45 deeply loved and appreciated by all who know him; now
46 therefore,

47 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
48 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Colonel Robert Allen King is
49 highly commended for his many years of dedicated service to
50 the United States Air Force, and this resolution hereby



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51 serves as a tribute to him with warmest gratitude and
52 admiration, along with sincere best wishes for continued
53 happiness and success during his retirement.