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8 COMMENDING TROY UNIVERSITY, ALABAMA'S INTERNATIONAL
9 UNIVERSITY, ON CHINESE NEW YEAR.

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11 WHEREAS, Troy University, established in 1887, is
12 known widely as Alabama's International University, as
13 students from 76 nations are enrolled on its Troy Campus; Troy
14 University also operates teaching sites in Japan, Malaysia,
15 South Korea, and Vietnam; and

16 WHEREAS, more than 300 students on the Troy Campus
17 are from China, making that nation the largest international
18 contingent on the Troy campus; and

19 WHEREAS, in 2001, Troy University became the first
20 American institution to enroll students through the
21 Sino-American 1+2+1 Dual Degree Program, changing forever the
22 culture of the university; and

23 WHEREAS, in 2007, Troy University received
24 designation as the host of the Confucius Institute for
25 Alabama, which enables the university to promote the teaching
26 of Chinese language and culture while promoting economic
27 development opportunities between Alabama and China; and

1 WHEREAS, the Confucius Institute at Troy University,
2 which is one of more than 500 such institutes in over 100
3 countries, has excelled on this global stage, twice being
4 named a Confucius Institute of the Year in 2012 and 2017 and
5 Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., Chancellor, received the World
6 Confucius Institute's Individual Performance Excellence Award
7 in 2014; and

8 WHEREAS, Friday, February 16, 2018, marks the
9 celebration of the New Year in China; now therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
11 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Troy University and
12 Chancellor Hawkins be commended for building a bridge between
13 our great state and the nation of China, and we extend New
14 Year's wishes to the university and its students from China.