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3 By Representatives Ball, Williams (P), Patterson, Collins,
4 Nordgren and Wood
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8 RECOGNIZING THE ALABAMA PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION
9 ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 97TH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

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11 WHEREAS, the Alabama Parent Teacher Association
12 (PTA) will hold its 97th annual convention April 24 and 25,
13 2015, at the Embassy Suites in Montgomery, Alabama; founded in
14 1911, the overall purpose of the organization is to make every
15 child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering
16 families and communities to advocate for all children; and

17 WHEREAS, the Alabama PTA is the strongest statewide
18 organization working exclusively on behalf of children and
19 youth; and

20 WHEREAS, the Alabama PTA has worked toward bettering
21 the lives of children in education, health, and safety; it is
22 a powerful voice for all children, a relevant resource for
23 families and communities, and a strong advocate for public
24 education; and

25 WHEREAS, with over 50,000 members in more than 300
26 local units, the Alabama PTA is a network of families,
27 students, teachers, administrators, and business and community

1 leaders devoted to the educational success of children and the
2 promotion of family engagement in schools; the Alabama PTA
3 recognizes that there is a positive and convincing
4 relationship between family engagement and student success;
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6 WHEREAS, the Alabama PTA is one of the state's
7 largest and oldest volunteer child advocacy organizations;
8 independently and in partnership with the National PTA, the
9 Alabama PTA has established programs and called for
10 legislation that improves the lives of all children,
11 including: creation of kindergarten classes, child labor laws,
12 public health services, hot and healthy lunch programs,
13 juvenile justice system, mandatory immunizations, arts in
14 education, and school safety; now therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OR REPRESENTATIVES OF
16 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That it is a privilege to
17 recognize the Alabama PTA on the momentous occasion of its
18 97th annual convention, and it is directed that a copy of this
19 resolution be provided to its President, Becky Vansant of
20 Huntsville, for appropriate presentation, with highest
21 commendations and best wishes for the future.