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3 By Representatives McCutcheon, Ball, Hall, Daniels, Patterson,  
4 Sanderford, Whorton (R) and Williams (P)  
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8 NOTING WITH COMMENDATION THE MANY EXCEPTIONAL  
9 ECONOMIC, INTELLECTUAL, AND HISTORICAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE  
10 STATE OF ALABAMA NASA'S MARSHALL SPACE FLIGHT CENTER AND ITS  
11 DIRECTOR, PATRICK SCHEUERMANN.  
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13 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center has, in  
14 the 55 years since its creation in 1960, contributed numerous  
15 advancements in rocket propulsion technology that have landed  
16 a man on the moon and are currently developing advanced,  
17 affordable space systems and technologies that enable  
18 astronauts to live and work safely in the harsh space  
19 environment, whether in the space station's active research  
20 facilities or during long-term, deep-space expeditions to  
21 Mars; and

22 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center is  
23 responsible for about 16,000 jobs and contributing more than  
24 \$62 million in state and local tax revenues annually while  
25 serving as a major economic development asset and technology  
26 magnet for the State of Alabama and the Southeast drawing

1 numerous private sector technology companies to the area,  
2 creating thousands of high paying jobs, and attracting the  
3 talented people needed to fill them; and

4 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center is  
5 leading in the development of NASA's Space Launch System, or  
6 SLS, an entirely new capability for taking humans and science  
7 missions beyond Earth's orbit onward to our journey to Mars;  
8 Marshall and the SLS program support tens of thousands of  
9 jobs, creating a significant economic impact to the full  
10 spectrum of industries from manufacturing to food service; and

11 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center is  
12 building on a long legacy of successful, mutually beneficial  
13 partnerships to lead NASA and the nation into a rewarding  
14 future in space while Marshall's valuable innovations in  
15 technology are made accessible to the public for scientific,  
16 academic, industrial, and commercial use; and

17 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center is in a  
18 continuation of its work on the Hubble Space Telescope and the  
19 Chandra X-ray Observatory, developing robust science missions  
20 to expand understanding of our planet, the solar system, and  
21 the universe; and

22 WHEREAS, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center is  
23 working in support of the National Science, Technology,  
24 Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) initiative to educate and  
25 inspire a new generation of scientists, engineers, and  
26 explorers to carry on NASA's mission of discovery throughout

1       our solar system and deliver untold benefits back home on  
2       Earth; and

3               WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Alabama are  
4       indeed exceedingly proud of the Marshall Space Flight Center's  
5       distinguished achievement, the advances in space exploration  
6       and scientific contributions made to the State of Alabama and  
7       the United States of America; now therefore,

8               BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
9       THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That a copy of this resolution  
10      shall be forwarded to Patrick Scheuermann in recognition of  
11      the Marshall Space Flight Center's distinguished scientists,  
12      engineers, technicians, management, and support personnel, all  
13      of whom have achieved distinction beyond measure.