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- 3 By Senators Melson, Albritton, Allen, Barfoot, Beasley, Bell,
- 4 Butler, Carnley, Chambliss, Chesteen, Coleman,
- 5 Coleman-Madison, Elliott, Figures, Givhan, Gudger, Hatcher,
- 6 Hovey, Jones, Kelley, Kitchens, Livingston, Orr, Price, Reed,
- 7 Roberts, Sessions, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smitherman, Stewart,
- 8 Stutts, Waggoner, Weaver, Williams
- 9 RFD: RULES
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4	SJR COMMENDING SPECIAL OLYMPICS GOLD MEDALIST, PRYCE
5	WILTON HOLCOMBE, FOR OUTSTANDING ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS.
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7	WHEREAS, with great pride and special pleasure,
8	highest commendations are conveyed to Special Olympian,
9	Pryce Wilton Holcombe of Florence, Alabama, for outstanding
10	athletic achievements, including winning a Gold Medal at the
11	2023 Special Olympics World Games in Berlin, Germany; and
12	WHEREAS, Pryce Holcombe was born on April 19, 1997;
13	despite being born with Down Syndrome and doctors predicting
14	that he would never excel in athletics, Pryce persevered and
15	has been playing golf since he was eight years old, having
16	learned from his parents who both played at the collegiate
17	level; he has been involved with the Special Olympics for 17
18	years; and
19	WHEREAS, Pryce has played Special Olympics sports at
20	the local level in basketball, bowling, track and field, and

golf, the sport he is most passionate about; he thrice won
the State Special Olympics Golf Tournament in Troy, Alabama,
playing in the Unified 18 Hole Division with his father and
teammate, Les Holcombe; the duo won the North American
Special Olympics Golf Championship in Nashville, Tennessee,

26 in 2019 and again in Seaview, New Jersey, in 2023; at the

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2022 Special Olympics USA Games in Orlando, Florida, Pryce

28 took home a Silver Medal in the Unified 18 Hole Division; in

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- 29 2023, Team Holcombe competed and won the Jacque Longshore
- 30 Special Olympics Invitational at Lagoon Park in Montgomery,
- 31 Alabama; and
- 32 WHEREAS, on June 17, 2023, Pryce and Les Holcombe
- 33 entered Berlin's Olympic Stadium for the Opening Ceremony,
- 34 following in the footsteps of fellow Alabama Olympian, Jesse
- Owens, who won four Medals in the 1936 Games; Pryce, with
- 36 teammate Les, the only Alabamians to compete in the 2023
- 37 Special Olympics World Games, left Berlin a champion with a
- 38 Gold Medal for the Unified 18 Hole Division; upon returning
- 39 home, Mayor Andrew Betterton presented Pryce with a key to
- 40 the City of Florence; and
- 41 WHEREAS, Pryce Holcombe attended the University of
- 42 North Alabama as part of the first Lion Buddies program
- 43 class, a collaborative special education program for
- 44 students with intellectual disabilities; after graduation,
- 45 Pryce became employed at Foodland Grocery Store; now
- 46 therefore,
- BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
- 48 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Pryce Wilton Holcombe is
- 49 commended and congratulated for his outstanding contribution
- 50 to Special Olympics and his many athletic achievements,
- 51 including winning a Gold Medal at the 2023 Special Olympics
- 52 World Games, and for his excellent representation of the
- 53 State of Alabama; this resolution is offered to him as
- 54 evidence of our high regard with best wishes for success in
- 55 all his future endeavors.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate Speaker of the House of Representatives SJR6 Senate 07-Feb-24 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate. Patrick Harris, Secretary. House of Representatives Passed: 20-Feb-24 By: Senator Melson