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3 By Senators Waggoner and Allen
4 RFD: Rules
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4 ENROLLED, SJR80,

5 RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE STEEL INDUSTRY.

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7 WHEREAS, the steel industry is an economic
8 powerhouse that ignites employment, job creation, and progress
9 worldwide; and

10 WHEREAS, steel is an integral component of economic
11 forces including trucks and autos, energy production and
12 transmission, transportation infrastructure, public safety
13 infrastructure, and a broad range of military applications;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, notably, the dynamic steel sector directly
16 employs about 150,000 people in the United States, including
17 9,239 jobs generated in Alabama, and either directly or
18 indirectly supports more than one million United States jobs;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, for more than two years, finished steel
21 imports have been flooding into the United States at
22 historically high levels; and, in 2015, finished steel imports
23 attained an all-time high record by capturing 29 percent of
24 the United States market; and

1 WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate to highlight
2 a consistently thriving sector that profoundly impacts the
3 great State of Alabama and the United States of America; now
4 therefore,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
6 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby urge Alabama's
7 federal elected officials in Washington, D.C., including
8 President Barack Obama, U.S. Senators, Richard Shelby and Jeff
9 Sessions, and members of the U.S. House of Representatives to
10 continue to fight for strong enforcement of our nation's trade
11 laws to level the playing field with China and other
12 countries, and taking whatever action necessary to protect the
13 domestic steel industry from unfair foreign competition.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we urge the United
15 States Department of Commerce to maintain China's "non-market
16 economy" status, which preserves the ability of U.S. companies
17 and American workers to access domestic trade remedy laws.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris
Secretary

House of Representatives
Adopted: 19-APR-16

By: Senator Waggoner