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3 By Representative Sanderford
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8 COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA IN HUNTSVILLE
9 FOR SUPPORT OF ALABAMA'S ECONOMIC, TECHNOLOGICAL, AND
10 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

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12 WHEREAS, nationally renowned research universities
13 are crucial to the economic, technological, and workforce
14 development of cities and regions; and

15 WHEREAS, the University of Alabama in Huntsville is
16 listed among Tier One national universities by U.S. News and
17 World Report, placing UAH in the top five percent of colleges
18 and universities across the United States; and

19 WHEREAS, UAH has been classified in the "very high
20 activity" research category by The Carnegie Foundation for the
21 Advancement of Teaching, ranking the university among a select
22 group of only 73 public universities in America; and

23 WHEREAS, UAH has four research programs ranked in
24 the Top 10 nationally and 14 in the Top 20, according to the
25 latest figures from the National Science Foundation; and

1 WHEREAS, UAH takes a leadership role in advancing
2 the State of Alabama in crucial areas of education, research,
3 and development, such as aerospace systems engineering,
4 aviation systems engineering, Earth and space science, applied
5 optics, business processes, entrepreneurship, information
6 technology and cybersecurity, modeling and simulation, micro
7 and nano devices, space plasmas and astrophysics, propulsion,
8 systems engineering, and robotics; and

9 WHEREAS, UAH maintains extensive partnerships with
10 government agencies at Redstone Arsenal, including NASA's
11 Marshall Space Flight Center, as well as numerous United
12 States Army commands, research centers, and program executive
13 offices; and

14 WHEREAS, UAH serves as the anchor tenant for
15 Cummings Research Park, the second largest university-related
16 research park in the United States; and

17 WHEREAS, half of UAH's graduating students earn a
18 degree in engineering or physical science, creating a supply
19 chain of well-prepared technical graduates for Alabama's
20 workforce; now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
22 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in recognition of its
23 outstanding support of economic, technological, and workforce
24 development, the University of Alabama in Huntsville, as one
25 of the nation's leading research and teaching universities, is
26 deserving of highest commendation for its critical role in

1 helping shape a more prosperous future for Alabama and its
2 citizens.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
4 resolution be provided to the University of Alabama in
5 Huntsville for appropriate presentation and display.