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8 CONGRATULATING DIAMOND SPARKS ON BEING RECOGNIZED AS
9 ONE OF ALABAMA PUBLIC TELEVISION'S FIVE YOUNG HEROES OF
10 ALABAMA FOR 2019.

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12 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
13 are herein proudly presented to Diamond Sparks on her
14 outstanding achievement of being selected as one of the five
15 Young Heroes of Alabama for 2019; and

16 WHEREAS, the Young Heroes of Alabama Scholarship
17 Program, presented by Alabama Public Television, recognizes
18 students in grades 9-12 who have excelled in academics, given
19 of themselves through public service, overcome adversity, and
20 inspired others through deeds and strength of character; and

21 WHEREAS, Diamond is an outstanding student at the
22 Alabama School of Fine Arts (ASFA) in Birmingham, Alabama; she
23 has persevered and excelled in her accomplishments despite the
24 deaths of both parents when she was very young; and

25 WHEREAS, she is recognized by ASFA as a student
26 having an innate vocal gift as well as the tremendous work
27 ethic necessary to become a professional performer; she has

1 performed with an Honors Performance Series that took her to
2 Australia, qualified for All-State Choir all four of her high
3 school years, sung for Harry Belafonte at a Black History
4 Month concert, sung at the funeral of her mother; performed in
5 musical and theater products at her school and sung the
6 National Anthem for community events such as the Birmingham
7 mayor's induction and at Birmingham Barons baseball games; and

8 WHEREAS, Diamond has maintained high standards in
9 both her specialty arts and core academic work while operating
10 with limited financial and transportation means; and

11 WHEREAS, she is recognized by her teachers as being
12 a quick learner who applies faculty suggestions to improve her
13 work, is never afraid to ask questions, and always has
14 something productive to add to classroom discussions; now
15 therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
17 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we highly honor and commend
18 Diamond Sparks, and this resolution is offered in recognition
19 of the phenomenal accomplishments of this Alabama student with
20 deepest admiration and appreciation, along with sincere best
21 wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.