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8 RECOGNIZING MAY 5, 2016, AS THE NATIONAL DAY OF  
9 PRAYER.

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11 WHEREAS, God has blessed America, where freedom  
12 exists for all, regardless of belief or creed; and

13 WHEREAS, America's heritage is a beacon to the  
14 world, a shining city on a hill; and

15 WHEREAS, America's exceptionalism was not only on a  
16 thoroughfare for freedom beat, but a leader and protector of  
17 values and safety around the world; and

18 WHEREAS, though American's sovereignty did not and  
19 would not rule the world, rather than a colonial power, she  
20 shared her bounty; and

21 WHEREAS, America has turned from her values, she is  
22 engaged in practices antithetical to her heritage by not  
23 protecting the poor, defenseless, and unborn, and has  
24 permitted the law to discriminate pitting one's rights against  
25 the rights of others; and

1           WHEREAS, America now sits in her sanctuary while the  
2 rest of the world is falling into turmoil with genocide  
3 against Christians and radical Islamic terrorists wreaking  
4 havoc; and

5           WHEREAS, America's Judeo-Christian tradition  
6 recognized a freedom of religion, the first freedom, that let  
7 all religions coexist; and

8           WHEREAS, traditional values have been removed from  
9 the public square where all values were once spoken; and

10          WHEREAS, religious freedom is threatened and God is  
11 mocked; and

12          WHEREAS, just as Jesus observed when he drew close  
13 to Jerusalem before His crucifixion and wept over the city  
14 that thought it knew of the things made for peace, it was now  
15 hidden from their eyes and just as high government officials  
16 often invoke the name of God, yet they tempt God by abandoning  
17 His truths; and

18          WHEREAS, America must reaffirm her freedom and her  
19 faith; and

20          BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
21 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we urge America to reaffirm  
22 and protect its freedoms.

23          BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the fifth day of May  
24 2016 be set aside as a day of reflection by the citizens of  
25 the State of Alabama who will humble themselves and pray and  
26 seek God's face and turn from their wicked ways so that God

1 will hear from Heaven and will forgive their sins and heal  
2 their land.