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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Baker and Rowe
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8 COMMENDING LIEUTENANT GREG MCGHEE AND OFFICER KRIS
9 RONEY OF THE SCOTTSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT AS NOMINEES FOR THE
10 2018 ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.
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12 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we
13 recognize Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris Roney of the
14 Scottsboro Police Department as nominees for the 2018 Alabama
15 Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement, Alabama's
16 highest law enforcement award for extraordinary courage in the
17 line of duty; and

18 WHEREAS, while effecting a felony robbery arrest at
19 the intersection of Highway 72 and Snodgrass Road on August
20 10, 2017, Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris Roney
21 witnessed a vehicle that was traveling west on Highway 72
22 leave the roadway, crash into an embankment, and partially
23 overturn; they drove their patrol cars a short distance,
24 exited their vehicles, and ran toward the flame engulfed
25 vehicle; while Lieutenant McGhee warded off the fire with a
26 fire extinguisher and searched for occupants inside the
27 vehicle, Officer Roney climbed into the overturned vehicle's

1 broken sunroof and located the driver, Jennifer Nicole
2 Brownfield, 39, of Scottsboro, Alabama; Officer Roney ensured
3 there was no one else inside the vehicle before coaxing Ms.
4 Brownfield to stand, grabbing her from under her arms, and
5 pulling her out of the burning vehicle; Officer Roney carried
6 Ms. Brownfield to a safe distance so she would not incur harm
7 in case the vehicle should explode; Lieutenant McGhee
8 continued to douse the fire and ensure that no other occupants
9 were inside the smoke filled vehicle; and

10 WHEREAS, placed in a life-threatening situation and
11 without a moment's hesitation, Lieutenant Greg McGhee and
12 Officer Kris Roney placed themselves in the line of peril and
13 saved a life; for their meritorious actions, Lieutenant McGhee
14 and Officer Kris Roney received the Scottsboro Police
15 Department Life Saving Certificate; and

16 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris
17 Roney demonstrated immense courage, diligence, and quick
18 response in a life-threatening situation; their loyalty and
19 unwavering commitment to protect and serve the residents of
20 Scottsboro were evidenced through their willingness to make
21 the quick and proper response in order to protect the lives of
22 others; and

23 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris
24 Roney epitomize the qualities of those who serve and protect,
25 and they are truly deserving of this distinguished nomination
26 for the Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement; now
27 therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
2 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby recognize and honor
3 Lieutenant Greg McGhee and Officer Kris Roney as nominees for
4 the 2018 Legislative Medal of Honor for Law Enforcement and
5 direct that they receive a copy of this resolution as evidence
6 of our admiration and esteem.