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8 RECOGNIZING AIDAN OLIVIA MILLS ON HER SELECTION AS A  
9 2018 YOUNG HERO OF ALABAMA.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations  
12 are herein proudly presented to Aidan Olivia Mills on her  
13 outstanding achievement of being selected as a 2018 Young Hero  
14 of Alabama; and

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

20 WHEREAS, Aidan is an accomplished student at Hazel  
21 Green High School in Hazel Green, Alabama, and her remarkable  
22 spirit and selfless and caring nature are a tremendous source  
23 of inspiration; she has demonstrated immense courage  
24 throughout her life, from being airlifted to Huntsville  
25 Hospital at the age of three after suffering a major seizure  
26 that left her unresponsive, to later experiencing the tragedy

1 of losing a close friend in a bus accident while on a youth  
2 ministry mission trip; and

3 WHEREAS, Aidan, at age 12, decided she wanted to  
4 help parents who find themselves at a hospital under emergency  
5 circumstances without the time to pack a bag of toiletries, so  
6 she initiated the 13:13 Project, named for the Bible verse  
7 from 1 Corinthians 13:13, "And now these three remain: faith,  
8 hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love."; and

9 WHEREAS, Aidan began collecting toiletry items to  
10 pack into "anchor bags" that were donated to the Huntsville  
11 Hospital for Women and Children; the bags were named after  
12 Hebrews 6:19, "We have this hope as an anchor for the soul,  
13 firm and secure."; and

14 WHEREAS, receiving support from local businesses and  
15 through the involvement of her church, Mt. Zion Baptist, the  
16 13:13 Project grew, and the organization began feeding parents  
17 who were at the hospital with a sick or injured child after  
18 Aidan sold shirts with the project logo to raise the money for  
19 meal vouchers; so far the 13:13 Project has donated more than  
20 \$3,000 to the Huntsville Hospital Foundation, giving Aidan's  
21 project major donor status; and

22 WHEREAS, Aidan is regarded as a hero by her family  
23 and friends for her unending enthusiasm, generosity, and  
24 entrepreneurship in seeing a need through her own difficult  
25 experiences and finding a way to make a difference in other's  
26 lives; and

1                   WHEREAS, among her many other achievements, Aidan  
2 was honored as the Young Citizen of the Month by Community  
3 Awareness for Youth, an organization sponsored by Rocket City  
4 Broadcasting, the City of Huntsville, and Huntsville  
5 Utilities, among other partners; and

6                   WHEREAS, a worthy role model for countless young  
7 Alabamians, Aidan espouses the meritorious characteristics of  
8 the Young Heroes Program, and she is truly deserving of  
9 special commendation and praise; now therefore,

10                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
11 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Aidan Olivia Mills is honored  
12 and commended, and this resolution is offered to her in  
13 highest tribute and with heartiest congratulations, as well as  
14 with sincere best wishes for continued success in all future  
15 endeavors.