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8 RECOGNIZING THE ALABAMA BAPTIST ON CELEBRATING ITS  
9 175TH ANNIVERSARY.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations  
12 are proudly presented to The Alabama Baptist on the occasion  
13 of its 175th Anniversary; and

14 WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate to reflect  
15 upon the rich history of The Alabama Baptist, our great  
16 state's renowned state Baptist newspaper, on the occasion of  
17 its 175th Anniversary; and

18 WHEREAS, The Alabama Baptist was founded February 4,  
19 1843, by a group from Siloam Baptist Church in Marion,  
20 Alabama, including James DeVotie, who served as pastor of  
21 Siloam Baptist during the 1840s; Milo P. Jewett, who served as  
22 the publication's first editor; and two others; the  
23 publication has always incorporated innovative design  
24 elements; and

25 WHEREAS, current editor, Bob Terry, preached at  
26 Siloam Baptist Church on the publication's 175th Anniversary

1 and a special celebration was hosted at Judson College in  
2 commemoration of its milestone a couple of days later; and

3 WHEREAS, a history of the esteemed publication has  
4 been compiled into the book, "The Alabama Baptist: Celebrating  
5 175 Years of Informing, Inspiring and Connecting Baptists";  
6 The Alabama Baptist has survived a Civil War, World Wars,  
7 economic depressions, and recessions and continued to flourish  
8 during trials and tribulations; The Alabama Baptist is a  
9 testament of powerful faith and premier journalism; now  
10 therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That The Alabama Baptist is honored  
13 and commended, and this resolution is offered to the  
14 remarkable publication in highest tribute as well as with  
15 sincere best wishes for continued success in all future  
16 endeavors.