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3 By Senators Brewbaker and Orr
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 16-JAN-18

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4 ENROLLED, SJR22,

5 RECOGNIZING MONTGOMERY AS THE CAPITAL OF THE STATE
6 OF ALABAMA.

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8 WHEREAS, situated in a bend of the Alabama River
9 near the intersection of two important Native American trading
10 routes, Montgomery was formed in 1819 by the combination of
11 two smaller communities; and

12 WHEREAS, Montgomery's prominence as a place of
13 commerce rose rapidly, and in 1846 legislators chose it as the
14 third and final location of Alabama's capital; and

15 WHEREAS, in 1847, a new capitol building in the
16 Greek Revival style arose atop "Goat Hill," a grassy hilltop
17 overlooking Montgomery's main thoroughfare; and

18 WHEREAS, on December 14, 1849, the 30th anniversary
19 of statehood, the capitol burned to the ground; builders
20 completed the current capitol of similar design two years
21 later; and

22 WHEREAS, since that time, the capitol complex has
23 expanded to include more than a dozen buildings in downtown
24 Montgomery; and

1 WHEREAS, since 1851, the Alabama State Capitol in
2 Montgomery has been the seat of government for more than 40
3 governors and served as the backdrop for some of the most
4 consequential events in Alabama and American history, from the
5 Civil War to the Civil Rights Movement; and

6 WHEREAS, designated in 1960 as an Historic Landmark
7 Building, the capitol also serves as a museum managed by the
8 Alabama Historical Commission; and

9 WHEREAS, Alabama is currently engaged in a
10 commemoration of the bicentennial of statehood, a three-year
11 celebration of the people, places, and events that form our
12 rich history; now therefore,

13 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
14 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we do hereby recognize
15 Montgomery as the capital of the State of Alabama.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 23-JAN-18
I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives
Adopted: 30-JAN-18

By: Senator Brewbaker