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3 By Representative Standridge  
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8 SUPPORTING WORKING INTERDISCIPLINARY NETWORKS OF  
9 GUARDIANSHIP STAKEHOLDERS.

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11 WHEREAS, Working Interdisciplinary Networks of  
12 Guardianship Stakeholders (WINGS) is an innovative movement to  
13 improve adult guardianships and conservatorships; and

14 WHEREAS, WINGS is a court-community partnership that  
15 drives changes affecting the ways courts and guardians and  
16 conservators practice; and

17 WHEREAS, WINGS is broad-based and multidisciplinary,  
18 including, but not limited to, the collaboration of judges and  
19 court staff, the aging and disability networks, the public and  
20 private bar, mental health agencies, advocacy groups, medical  
21 and mental health professionals, service providers, and family  
22 members and individuals affected by guardianships and  
23 conservatorships; and

24 WHEREAS, WINGS is a consensus-driven, problem  
25 solving mechanism that offers a forum for considering how  
26 adult guardianships and conservatorships are working in the

1 state, where pressure points exist, and possible solutions;  
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3 WHEREAS, the Administrative Office of Courts applied  
4 for and received federal funding from the United States  
5 Department of Health and Human Services Administration for  
6 Community Living for a WINGS project in the state from which a  
7 steering committee and task force were formed; and

8 WHEREAS, the Alabama WINGS Steering Committee and  
9 Task Force have met several times and have initiated work in  
10 this area; now therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Legislature fully supports  
13 Alabama WINGS, its continuing assessment of Alabama's adult  
14 guardianship and conservatorship system, and vision to improve  
15 guardianship and conservatorship practices in the state.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Legislature  
17 recommends that the WINGS Steering Committee submit a written  
18 report concerning any needed adult guardianship and  
19 conservatorship changes in existing law identified by January  
20 1 of each year the WINGS Steering Committee is in existence.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
22 resolution be provided to the WINGS Steering Committee so that  
23 sentiments concerning this matter are known.