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3 By Senator Brooks  
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8 COMMENDING THE ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF  
9 MOBILE ON ITS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

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11 WHEREAS, the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church of  
12 Mobile was founded on January 26, 1912, in the City of Mobile;  
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14 WHEREAS, the 36 members of the existing Greek  
15 community met in the store of Mr. Constantine Demetrious on  
16 that date with the purpose of establishing a community for  
17 worship of the Greek Orthodox Faith; and

18 WHEREAS, they further intended to work to assist  
19 themselves and their fellow Hellenes to assimilate into the  
20 culture of their adopted country; and

21 WHEREAS, on that date, a vote was taken to adopt the  
22 name "Greek Orthodox Brotherhood of the Annunciation of the  
23 Greeks in Mobile"; and

24 WHEREAS, so began the Annunciation of the Theotokos  
25 Greek Orthodox Church and parish 100 years ago; and

26 WHEREAS, on June 22-24, 2012, a celebration will be  
27 held in honor of the Centennial of the Annunciation of the

1 Theotokos Greek Orthodox Church of Mobile, Alabama; now  
2 therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
4 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Annunciation of the  
5 Theotokos Greek Orthodox Church of Mobile, its priest Reverend  
6 Father Elias Stevens, Parish Council President George  
7 Catranis, Centennial Committee Chair Patti Panayiotou, and all  
8 parishioners and leaders of this Church be congratulated for  
9 their contributions to their faith and to the City of Mobile  
10 and to the State of Alabama.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
12 resolution be provided for appropriate presentation and  
13 display on the occasion of the Centennial Celebration.