House Resolution 20EX By: Representative Ealum of the 153rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Major Susie Kalyn Ealum for valor and heroism in the face of the enemy; and

2 for other purposes.

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- WHEREAS, the State of Georgia commends one of its most noble, patriotic, and selfless
 citizens, Major Susie Kalyn Ealum; and
- 5 WHEREAS, this amazing five-sport athlete in high school skipped her senior year to enter 6 college on a full academic and soccer athletic scholarship; and
- 7 WHEREAS, she graduated with honors from the University of Georgia's Terry College of
 8 Business two years ahead of her peers; and
- 9 WHEREAS, commissioned in the Marine Corps as a Second Lieutenant, she was among the
- 10 first females to be assigned as a Combat Engineer Officer; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty, putting herself at
- 12 risk so that others could enjoy the privilege of security; and
- 13 WHEREAS, her service in Afghanistan as a Combat Convoy Commander saw her convoys
- 14 hit by ten strikes of improvised explosive devices, the last of which exploded directly under
- 15 her seat and destroyed her vehicle; and
- 16 WHEREAS, wounded and in the face of tremendous danger, she guided her convoy to17 safety; and
- 18 WHEREAS, her all-male combat platoon deeply admired her uncommon valor and
- 19 unswerving leadership in the continuous face of danger and respectfully and adoringly gave
- 20 her the combat callsign, "Mother Goose"; and

- 21 WHEREAS, she was promoted to Major on October 1, 2018; and
- 22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and
- 23 selfless and heroic actions of this extraordinary American be appropriately recognized.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 25 the members of this body join in commending Major Susie Kalyn Ealum.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 28 Major Susie Kalyn Ealum.