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HR_____ COMMENDING DEPUTY DEONTE WASHINGTON AS A RECIPIENT OF THE 2024 ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.

WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we recognize Deputy Deonte Washington of Tuscaloosa County as a recipient of the 2024 Alabama Legislative Meritorious Service Award for Law Enforcement for exemplary courage in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2023, Deputy Washington responded to Old Greensboro Road in reference to a structure fire; Tuscaloosa Fire Department (TFD) arrived on scene shortly before he did; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Washington assisted with notifying residents and clearing the apartment building; he observed smoke rolling out of an attic vent near the top of the building and realized the fire was hotter on the north end and possibly the source; as Deputy Washington was knocking on doors to get people out, he observed a disoriented male subject inside an apartment; he encouraged the subject to unlock the door and helped him exit the apartment and get to a safe place; TFD was nearby, and Deputy Washington notified them of the need to treat the male subject; and

WHEREAS, there was a female subject still inside; Deputy Washington covered his nose and mouth and went back



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29 in to the smokey apartment; he located the source of the
30 fire and found the disoriented female subject sitting on the
31 floor; he grabbed her and carried her to safety; and

32 WHEREAS, Deputy Washington recognized the danger and
33 urgency of the situation; he put the safety of the citizens
34 of Tuscaloosa County before his own; he is recognized for
35 his immense bravery, selflessness, and quick actions in the
36 face of danger as he saved two lives; he is truly deserving
37 of special recognition; now therefore,

38 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
39 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we hereby honor Deputy Deonte
40 Washington as a recipient of the 2024 Alabama Legislative
41 Meritorious Service Award for Law Enforcement, and we
42 dedicate this resolution to him in utmost gratitude,
43 admiration, and esteem.