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3 By Representatives Knight and McClammy
4 RFD: Rules
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8 NAMING ACT 2009-571 THE JAMARI TERRELL WILLIAMS ACT.

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10 WHEREAS, during the 2009 Regular Session, HB216,
11 sponsored by Representative Betty Carol Graham, was enacted to
12 create the Student Harassment Prevention Act; and

13 WHEREAS, Act 2009-571, now appearing as Chapter 28C
14 of Title 16, Code of Alabama 1975, requires the adoption of
15 policies in public school systems to prevent the harassment of
16 students; and

17 WHEREAS, Jamari Williams, a 10-year-old talented and
18 gifted dancer, honor roll student, and active member of his
19 church and native of Montgomery, Alabama, took his own life on
20 October 11, 2017, after suffering harassment and bullying at
21 school; and

22 WHEREAS, the Jamari Terrell Williams Foundation was
23 created in Jamari's name to work with city officials, schools,
24 churches, and other organizations to educate others about
25 bullying and suicide prevention in children and young adults;
26 it is fitting and appropriate that the Alabama Student

1 Harassment Prevention Act also be named in honor of young
2 Jamari Williams; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
4 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in commemoration of the young
5 life of Jamari Terrell Williams and the impact his story
6 continues to make in the lives of other Alabamians, Act
7 2009-571 of the 2009 Regular Session, is named the "Jamari
8 Terrell Williams Act"; a copy of this resolution shall be
9 provided to the family of Jamari Terrell Williams so that they
10 may know of our recognition of Jamari's life and our gratitude
11 for their efforts to end bullying and harassment among young
12 people in this state.