

1 HJR88
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3 By Representative Taylor
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 21-JAN-10

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING HOWARD CROSS, JR., ON SELECTION TO THE
4 ALABAMA SPORTS HALL OF FAME.
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6 WHEREAS, Mr. Howard Cross, Jr., has been selected to
7 the 2010 Class of the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Cross, a native of New Hope, is one of
9 the most highly decorated athletes in the history of Madison
10 County; as a senior at New Hope High School, Mr. Cross was
11 named All-County and All-State in both basketball and
12 football; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Cross received a football scholarship
14 from The University of Alabama and went on to a highly
15 successful college career as a tight end, starting for most of
16 his four years there; Mr. Cross was named All-Southeastern
17 Conference as a junior and, as a senior, received the Jacobs
18 Award as the conference's most outstanding blocker; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Cross served as president of the
20 Fellowship of Christian Athletes at The University of Alabama;
21 in his senior year, he was recognized with the Charley Compton
22 Award for outstanding Christian leadership; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Cross was drafted into the NFL in 1989
24 by the New York Giants, where he enjoyed a successful 13-year
25 career; he was named to the NFL All-Rookie team in his first

1 year and won a Super Bowl ring in his second; over the course
2 of his career, Mr. Cross amassed 201 receptions for 2,194
3 yards and 17 touchdowns and played in two Super Bowls; and

4 WHEREAS, since his retirement in 2001, Mr. Cross has
5 gone on to a successful career in private business; he and his
6 wife, Pia, have two children, Howard, III, and Isabella; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Cross' high school, college, and
8 professional careers, as well as his reputation for high
9 character and leadership, represent all that is best about
10 organized sports and about Alabama and the United States; now
11 therefore,

12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
13 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we heartily congratulate Mr.
14 Howard Cross, Jr., on his selection to the Alabama Sports Hall
15 of Fame and, by copy of this resolution, extend our sincerest
16 thanks for a job well done and best wishes for all his future
17 endeavors.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 26-JAN-10.

Greg Pappas
Clerk

Senate

17-FEB-10

Adopted