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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Ball, McCutcheon, Williams (P),
4 Hall, Hinshaw and Taylor
5 RFD: Rules
6 First Read: 02-MAR-10

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,
3 COMMENDING ANNE ROOKS FOR PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT
4 AND SERVICE.

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6 WHEREAS, it is a privilege to extend highest
7 commendation to Anne Rooks for her outstanding record of
8 achievement during a 25-year career with the Mental Health
9 Center of Madison County; and

10 WHEREAS, Ms. Rooks is retiring as Adult Services
11 Division Director of the Mental Health Center on January 1,
12 2010, having begun her dedicated service in December 1985; and

13 WHEREAS, she had previously been employed with
14 Vocational Rehabilitation Services in both Birmingham and
15 Huntsville; her educational credentials include a Bachelor of
16 Arts Degree from Fisk University and a Master's Degree in
17 Counseling from The University of Alabama; Ms. Rooks became a
18 Licensed Professional Counselor in Alabama in 1992 and a
19 Licensed Supervising Counselor in 1996; she is a member of
20 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; and

21 WHEREAS, among her many awards and honors during her
22 distinguished career, she was named Manager of the Year,
23 Recipient of the Women's Economic Development Council
24 Leadership Award from The University of Alabama, Clinical
25 Employee of the Year, Fred Habeeb Professional Service Award,

1 and Case of the Year recognition from Vocational
2 Rehabilitation Services; and

3 WHEREAS, for more than three decades, Ms. Rooks has
4 served the community, assisting families and individuals who
5 suffer from mental illness or substance abuse; she has been
6 instrumental in expansion of Mental Illness Community
7 Treatment Programs in the Huntsville Area, initiating many
8 critical services; in addition, she collaborated with various
9 community organizations to build lasting partnerships for
10 assisting those in need; and

11 WHEREAS, devoted to family, Ms. Rooks is the
12 daughter of the late Sippie and Lois Rooks; she is the mother
13 of three sons, Don Eric Murray, Charles Nickolas Murray, and
14 Brandon Rooks Murray, and has three grandchildren, Trinity
15 Murray, Elijah Murray, and Jordon Murray; and

16 WHEREAS, through the years, Ms. Rooks has earned
17 widespread respect for her exceptional capabilities and
18 dedication; her community contributions are far-reaching as
19 she has positively impacted the lives of countless
20 individuals; now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
22 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Anne Rooks is honored and
23 commended for her exemplary 25-year record of achievement and
24 service with the Mental Health Center of Madison County, and
25 this resolution is offered in highest tribute and deepest

1 appreciation to her, along with best wishes in her
2 well-deserved retirement from the position of Adult Services
3 Division Director.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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House of Representatives

8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
9 and was adopted by the House 03-MAR-10.

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Greg Pappas
Clerk

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