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3       By Representative DeMarco  
4       RFD:  
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COMMENDING MOUNTAIN BROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ON ITS  
80TH ANNIVERSARY.

WHEREAS, it is a great pleasure to extend  
commendations and congratulations to Mountain Brook Elementary  
School on the occasion of observing its 80th Anniversary with  
celebratory ceremonies on May 20, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the oldest existing public school in the  
area, Mountain Brook Elementary School first opened its doors  
in the fall of 1929 with 143 students; the original building  
housed six classrooms serving kindergarten through junior high  
grades; Miss Bessie Wilhelm was the first principal and also  
taught 7th and 8th grades, and the faculty included three  
additional teachers; and

WHEREAS, through the years, with enrollment  
increasing more than fourfold to 586, the school has enlarged  
and improved the physical plant and grounds, adding new  
classrooms, an auditorium, cafeteria, gymnasium, and other  
facilities; each construction project has been meticulously

1       designed to retain the stately English Tudor style of the  
2       original school; and

3               WHEREAS, with outstanding faculty and staff as well  
4       as an abiding tradition of community support, Mountain Brook  
5       Elementary School has recorded a rich history of educational  
6       excellence, consistently ranking among the top public school  
7       systems in the nation; and

8               WHEREAS, over the span of eight decades, many of the  
9       improvements to the school's facilities have been made  
10      possible through the vision, commitment, and support of the  
11      Mountain Brook neighbors along with the loyal former students,  
12      many of whom will return for the 80th Anniversary Celebration;  
13      now therefore,

14              BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
15      THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Mountain Brook Elementary  
16      School is honored and commended on the occasion of celebrating  
17      its 80th Anniversary on May 20, 2010, and this resolution is  
18      offered in highest tribute to the school along with heartiest  
19      congratulations and best wishes for the future, on behalf of  
20      the citizens of the State of Alabama.