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3 By Representatives Gordon, Buskey, Mitchell, Kennedy, Allen,  
4 Baker (A), Baker (L), Ball, Bandy, Barton, Beasley, Beech,  
5 Bentley, Black, Boothe, Boyd, Bridges, Brown, Canfield,  
6 Clouse, Coleman, Collier, Curtis, Davis, DeMarco, Drake,  
7 Dukes, England, Faust, Fields, Fincher, Ford, Galliher,  
8 Gaston, Gipson, Graham, Grantland, Greeson, Grimes, Guin,  
9 Hall, Hammett, Hammon, Harper, Hill, Hilliard, Hinshaw,  
10 Holmes, Howard, Hubbard, Hurst, Irons, Ison, Jackson, Johnson,  
11 Knight, Laird, Letson, Lewis, Lindsey, Love, Martin, Mask,  
12 McAdory, McCampbell, McClammy, McClendon, McClurkin,  
13 McCutcheon, McDaniel, McLaughlin, McMillan, Millican, Moore  
14 (M), Moore (P), Morrow, Newton (C), Newton (D), Oden, Page,  
15 Payne, Robinson (J), Robinson (O), Rogers, Salaam, Sanderford,  
16 Scott, Sherer, Shiver, Spicer, Taylor, Thigpen, Thomas (E),  
17 Thomas (J), Todd, Treadaway, Vance, Ward, Warren, White,  
18 Williams (J), Williams (P), Wood and Wren

19 RFD:

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8 COMMENDING JIMMY KNIGHT: 2010 INDUCTEE TO THE  
9 PRICHARD SPORTS AND LEADERSHIP HALL FAME.

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11 WHEREAS, it is a great pleasure to extend  
12 commendations and congratulations to Jimmy Knight on being  
13 selected a 2010 Inductee to the City of Prichard Sports and  
14 Leadership Hall of Fame; and

15 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Hall of Fame is to  
16 recognize and honor the outstanding individuals who have made  
17 a positive impact on society and on the great City of  
18 Prichard, which is appropriately known as the "City of  
19 Champions"; and

20 WHEREAS, Jimmy Knight is a proud veteran of the  
21 United States Army, where he served with honor and  
22 distinction; he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Social Studies  
23 from Grambling College, a Master of Arts Degree from the  
24 University of South Alabama, and Education Specialist Degree  
25 from Alabama State University; and

26 WHEREAS, he began his professional career with the  
27 Mobile County Public School System as a coach at Trinity

1 Gardens Middle School, later teaching and coaching at Vigor  
2 High School before becoming Administrative Dean at B. C. Rain  
3 and Theodore High Schools; in 1979, he became the first  
4 African-American principal of Theodore High School; in 1990,  
5 he became Assistant Superintendent of Student Support  
6 Services, the largest division within the public school  
7 system; and

8 WHEREAS, upon retiring from the public school system  
9 in 1995, Jimmy Knight became the Executive Director of Mobile  
10 Community Action, Incorporated, and compiled an exemplary  
11 record of achievement and public service; his additional roles  
12 of community leadership include the Board of Directors for  
13 Mobile Works, the Senior Bowl Committee, the Mobile Sports  
14 Hall of Fame, and the American Red Cross; devoted to family  
15 and faith, he is married to Johnnie Mae Knight and they have  
16 two children, Jimese and Jessica; he is an active member of  
17 Ebenezer Baptist Church, where he serves as Adult Male Sunday  
18 School Teacher and a member of the Male Chorus; and

19 WHEREAS, through the years and in all his endeavors,  
20 he has earned widespread respect for his exceptional abilities  
21 and tireless dedication; now therefore,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
23 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That on the occasion of his  
24 well-deserved induction into the City of Prichard Sports and  
25 Leadership Hall of Fame, Jimmy Knight is honored and  
26 commended, and this resolution is offered in highest tribute

1 to him along with heartiest congratulations and best wishes  
2 for the future.