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3 By Senators Brooks, Glover, Figures, Allen, and Pittman
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8 COMMENDING MIKE GOTTFRIED ON BEING NAMED 2010
9 MOBILIAN OF THE YEAR.

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11 WHEREAS, commendations and congratulations are
12 herein extended to Mike Gottfried in recognition of the
13 outstanding achievement of being named 2010 Mobilian of the
14 Year by the Cottage Hill Civitan Club; and

15 WHEREAS, as the region's most prestigious civic
16 honor, the Mobilian of the Year Award has been presented
17 annually since 1948 to an individual whose positive impact on
18 the community is extraordinary; and

19 WHEREAS, a former highly successful college football
20 coach, Mr. Gottfried has appeared since 1990 as an analyst for
21 ESPN's Saturday Primetime telecasts and is recognized as one
22 of television's most respected sports announcers and game
23 analysts; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Gottfried was one of the founders of
25 the GoDaddy.com Bowl in Mobile, and he has enthusiastically
26 promoted the City of Mobile during his television appearances
27 for almost two decades; and

1 WHEREAS, in 2000, Mr. Gottfried founded Team Focus,
2 a comprehensive community outreach program for boys without
3 fathers; and

4 WHEREAS, more than 2,000 young men have been served
5 nationwide with guidance and mentoring to improve their lives
6 and instill a sense of self-esteem; Team Focus programs
7 include individual tutoring, academic support, scholarship
8 opportunities, leadership camps, and social activities; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Gottfried is much in demand throughout
10 the United States as a motivational speaker, and he has also
11 spearheaded fund-raisers for charitable organizations in
12 Alabama and elsewhere; and

13 WHEREAS, his educational credentials include a
14 Bachelor's Degree in 1966 from Morehead State University,
15 followed by a Master's Degree in 1973; he is the author of two
16 books, "Coach's Challenge" and "Wisdom from Winners"; Mr.
17 Gottfried and his wife, Mickey, have two children and three
18 grandchildren; and

19 WHEREAS, through the years and in all his endeavors
20 as a coach, television announcer, and leader of Team Focus,
21 Mr. Gottfried has earned respect for his exceptional abilities
22 and unwavering commitment to improving the lives of young men
23 who are in need of guidance; he is truly deserving of the
24 significant honor of being named 2010 Mobilian of the Year;
25 now therefore,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
27 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Mike Gottfried is honored and

1 commended, and this resolution is offered in highest tribute
2 and deepest appreciation to him, along with heartiest
3 congratulations on being named 2010 Mobilian of the Year.