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3 By Representatives Sanderford, McCutcheon, Johnson (W),
4 Williams (P), Patterson, Ball and Hall
5 RFD: Rules
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8 COMMENDING BRIAN HILSON FOR PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT
9 AND DEDICATED SERVICE.
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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Brian
12 Hilson is recognized for his distinguished service to
13 Huntsville, Madison County, and the State of Alabama; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Hilson has announced his resignation as
15 president and CEO of the Huntsville/Madison County Chamber of
16 Commerce, a position he has held since 1997, having joined the
17 chamber in 1992 as senior vice president for economic
18 development; and

19 WHEREAS, for almost two decades, he has been a
20 driving force in the area's outstanding economic success as
21 Madison County has led Alabama in industrial jobs growth
22 almost every year, with a total of 61,000 jobs and \$4.4
23 billion in capital improvements; Mr. Hilson has been a key
24 player in attracting major corporations, new businesses, and
25 expansions; and

26 WHEREAS, under his leadership, Madison County's
27 unemployment rate has consistently been among the state's

1 lowest, while the county has often been cited in the national
2 "Top 10" listings for categories such as best place to live,
3 work, start a business, or weather the economy; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Hilson is scheduled to become president
5 and CEO of the Birmingham Business Alliance, a position that
6 will enable him to continue to serve the people of Alabama;
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8 WHEREAS, through the years and in all his endeavors,
9 Mr. Hilson has earned respect for his vision, exceptional
10 abilities, and tireless dedication; he will be greatly missed
11 by colleagues and friends in Madison County, who wish him well
12 as he embarks upon the next stage of his exemplary career; now
13 therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
15 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That on the occasion of his
16 resignation as president and CEO of the Huntsville/Madison
17 County Chamber of Commerce and in recognition of his many
18 outstanding achievements and dedicated service, highest
19 commendation is herein extended to Brian Hilson, for whom a
20 copy of this resolution is provided as evidence of our sincere
21 appreciation and admiration.