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3 By Representative Beech
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8 COMMENDING MAYOR RICHARD LONG ON BEING NAMED CITIZEN
9 OF THE YEAR IN JACKSON, ALABAMA.

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11 WHEREAS, we note with great pride and appreciation
12 that Mayor Richard Long has been named Citizen of the Year in
13 Jackson, Alabama; and

14 WHEREAS, Mayor Long was selected by the Jackson
15 Rotary Club for one of the city's highest honors, in
16 recognition of his outstanding accomplishments and tireless
17 dedication; and

18 WHEREAS, a native of Biloxi, Mississippi, he has
19 resided in Jackson since 1979, settling in the hometown of his
20 wife, Susan Bolen Long; and

21 WHEREAS, now in his third term as mayor, his civic
22 leadership also includes two terms as a city councilman, and
23 he has been actively involved in numerous worthy causes
24 including the Rotary Club, the Jackson Volunteer Fire
25 Department, the Chamber of Commerce, the United Way, and
26 others; and

1 WHEREAS, during his terms as mayor and on the city
2 council, he has focused on business and industry as well as
3 infrastructure improvements and enhancements to the quality of
4 life for residents; he takes justifiable pride in the \$1.2
5 million White Smith Memorial Library expansion, the \$1.2
6 million Jackson Police Complex and adjacent court complex, and
7 the new \$1 million Jackson Senior Citizens Center; in
8 addition, he has consistently supported and promoted
9 education; and

10 WHEREAS, through the years he has earned respect for
11 his vision, exceptional abilities, and unwavering commitment
12 to his fellow citizens, and he is truly deserving of this
13 significant honor; now therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
15 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and
16 congratulate Mayor Richard Long on being selected Citizen of
17 the Year in Jackson, Alabama, and by copy of this resolution,
18 we extend our warm best wishes for success in every future
19 endeavor.