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3 By Senator Beasley
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5 First Read: 21-APR-11

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4 ENROLLED, SJR91,

5 COMMENDING MR. DOUGLAS C. PURCELL FOR PROFESSIONAL
6 ACHIEVEMENT.

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8 WHEREAS, we take great pride and pleasure in
9 commending Mr. Douglas C. Purcell, a resident of Eufaula,
10 Alabama, for exceptional professional achievement and service
11 on the occasion of his retirement after over 30 years of
12 service to the Historic Chattahoochee Commission, an agency of
13 Alabama and Georgia involved in the promotion of tourism and
14 historic preservation; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Purcell graduated from The University
16 of Alabama with a degree and graduate study in history; he
17 served as Captain in the United States Army Reserve from 1969
18 to 1977; he became Executive Director of the Historic
19 Chattahoochee Commission in 1972 and is retiring this year;
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21 WHEREAS, Mr. Purcell and his wife, Betsy, have two
22 children and one grandchild; an active member of Eufaula First
23 United Methodist Church, he has served in numerous leadership
24 roles within the church; he is a member of numerous civic
25 organizations, including the Eufaula Rotary Club, the

1 Eufaula-Barbour County Chamber of Commerce, Main Street
2 Eufaula, Inc., Eufaula/Randolph Neighborhood Association,
3 Friends of Fendall Hall Committee, Eufaula Heritage
4 Association, Eufaula Audubon Committee, and Eufaula Historic
5 Preservation Commission; and

6 WHEREAS, an accomplished author, speaker, and
7 leader, Mr. Purcell has received numerous awards for his many
8 accomplishments, including: Named Outstanding Young Men in
9 America, 1975; Ocfuskee Historical Society Certificate of
10 Appreciation, 1974; Alabama Historical Commission
11 Distinguished Service Award, 1981; Henry County Historical
12 Society Award of Merit, 1983; Historic Chattahoochee
13 Commission Commendation, 1983; Eufaula Tribune Good Citizen
14 Award, 1983 and 1987, and the Movers and Shakers List 1989;
15 Alabama Historical Commission Silver Anniversary Award, 1991;
16 Alabama Preservation Alliance Merit Award, 1996;
17 Eufaula-Barbour County Tourism Council Trail Blazer Award,
18 2003; and the Historic Westville Legacy Award, 2009; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Purcell has been a well-respected and
20 valuable member of the agency, and he has served his community
21 and the State of Alabama tirelessly; his experience,
22 dedication, leadership, and integrity will be greatly missed;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Purcell has combined a successful
25 career and family life with distinguished civic leadership,

1 earning the admiration and respect of all those who have come
2 in contact with him over three decades of service; now
3 therefore,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
5 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we are privileged to commend
6 Mr. Douglas C. Purcell for extraordinary professional
7 achievement and service on the occasion of his retirement as
8 Executive Director of the Historic Chattahoochee Commission,
9 after over 30 years of service; and by copy of this resolution
10 we convey our highest esteem and best wishes in all his
11 continuing endeavors.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

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Patrick Harris
Secretary

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House of Representatives

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