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3 By Representative Rich  
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8 COMMENDING RIC AYER ON BEING NAMED CITIZEN OF THE  
9 YEAR IN ALBERTVILLE, ALABAMA.

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11 WHEREAS, commendations and congratulations are  
12 herein proudly extended to Ric Ayer in recognition of his  
13 outstanding achievement in being selected to receive the  
14 Citizen of the Year Award of the Albertville Chamber of  
15 Commerce; and

16 WHEREAS, the prestigious award was presented at the  
17 annual membership banquet of the Albertville Chamber of  
18 Commerce on March 25, 2011; and

19 WHEREAS, Ric Ayer is the Superintendent of  
20 Albertville City Schools, a position in which he has served  
21 effectively since arriving in 2007 with "a new, fresh,  
22 positive wind of change," in the words of the video  
23 presentation honoring him; and

24 WHEREAS, he began improving the school system by  
25 changing attitudes, assembling a collection of star teachers,  
26 and "thinking outside the box"; furthermore, his positive  
27 energy stimulated the entire city; and

1                   WHEREAS, during the award ceremony, he was also  
2 honored for his extraordinary leadership and relief efforts in  
3 the aftermath of the devastating tornadoes of April 2010, most  
4 notably marshaling administrators to come up with plans that  
5 were implemented to find the city's students and get them back  
6 in school, providing a sense of normalcy; and

7                   WHEREAS, a devoted family man, he is married to Lynn  
8 Ayer, and he missed the highly anticipated birth of their  
9 first grandchild, who was born during the week of the tornado  
10 outbreak, in order to serve the school system during that  
11 difficult time; and

12                  WHEREAS, through the years, Ric Ayer has earned  
13 respect for his exceptional abilities and tireless dedication,  
14 and he is truly deserving of this significant award; now  
15 therefore,

16                  BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
17 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in recognition and  
18 appreciation of his outstanding record of achievement and  
19 service, we honor and commend Ric Ayer, and this resolution is  
20 offered with heartiest congratulations to him on being named  
21 Citizen of the Year by the Albertville Chamber of Commerce,  
22 along with best wishes in all future endeavors.