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3 By Representative Rich
4 RFD: Rules
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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.