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3 By Representatives Merrill, England, Poole, Boman, Baughn,
4 McCampbell and Mask
5 RFD:
6 First Read: 09-JUN-11

8 COMMENDING REPRESENTATIVE ALAN HARPER ON BEING NAMED
9 EDAA LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR.
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11 WHEREAS, it is with a sense of great pride that we
12 congratulate and commend Representative Alan Harper on being
13 named the Economic Development Association of Alabama "EDAA"
14 Legislator of the Year; and

15 WHEREAS, the EDAA is a state association for
16 professional economic development practitioners seeking to
17 educate, network, and positively impact economic development
18 in Alabama; and

19 WHEREAS, the EDAA presents the award to a legislator
20 who has effectively assisted the economic development
21 community in its mission to grow the economy of Alabama
22 through job creation and capital investment; and

23 WHEREAS, citing Representative Harper's unwavering
24 efforts to educate members of the Alabama House of
25 Representatives about the economic development process and his
26 bipartisan work in crafting and passing legislation to make
27 Alabama competitive in recruiting industry, as well as his

1 advocacy for rural economic development, EDAA Legislative
2 Co-Chair Peggy Smith presented the award to him; and

3 WHEREAS, a 1986 graduate of The University of
4 Alabama, Representative Harper was selected as a 2011 Alumnus
5 of the Year in the School of Communication; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Harper represents District
7 61, which encompasses Pickens County, west Tuscaloosa County,
8 and the City of Northport; he has devoted his distinguished
9 career to public service, and has served almost a decade with
10 the Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority, as
11 well as numerous other economic and community organizations;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, throughout his accomplished career in
14 public service, Representative Harper has exemplified those
15 admirable attributes of self-discipline, good citizenship, and
16 concern for his fellowman with his unique skills and
17 abilities, and has consistently contributed to the economic
18 development of this state, earning the respect and admiration
19 of those who are fortunate to know and work with him; now
20 therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
22 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That in grateful acknowledgment of
23 outstanding public service to the Alabama Legislature and the
24 People of Alabama, we extend highest commendation to our
25 friend and colleague, Representative Alan Harper of
26 Aliceville, Alabama, for being named EDAA Legislator of the

1 Year, and for whom a copy of this resolution shall be provided
2 as evidence of our highest esteem and warmest personal regard.