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3 By Representatives Buskey, Kennedy, Baker, Ball, Bandy,
4 Barton, Baughn, Beckman, Beech, Black, Boman, Boothe, Boyd,
5 Bracy, Bridges, Brown, Burdine, Buttram, Carns, Chesteen,
6 Clouse, Coleman, Collins, Colston, Davis, DeMarco, Drake,
7 England, Farley, Faust, Fincher, Ford, Forte, Galliher,
8 Gaston, Givan, Greer, Greenson, Grimsley, Hall, Hammon, Harper,
9 Henry, Hill, Holmes, Howard, Hubbard (J), Hubbard (M), Hurst,
10 Ison, Jackson, Johnson (K), Johnson (R), Johnson (W), Jones,
11 Knight, Laird, Lee, Lindsey, Long, Love, Mask, McAdory,
12 McCampbell, McClammy, McClendon, McClurkin, McCutcheon,
13 McMillan, Melton, Merrill, Millican, Mitchell, Moore (B),
14 Moore (M), Morrow, Newton (C), Newton (D), Nordgren, Oden,
15 Patterson, Payne, Poole, Rich, Roberts, Robinson (J), Robinson
16 (O), Rogers, Sanderford, Scott, Sessions, Shiver, Thomas,
17 Todd, Treadaway, Tuggle, Vance, Wallace, Warren, Weaver,
18 Williams (D), Williams (J), Williams (P), Wood and Wren
19 RFD: Rules
20 First Read: 14-FEB-12

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8 RECOGNIZING NEW SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH AND
9 ITS PASTOR, REVEREND DOCTOR CLINTON JOHNSON.

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11 WHEREAS, commendations and congratulations are
12 herein conveyed to New Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church and
13 its pastor, Reverend Doctor Clinton Johnson, under whose
14 inspirational leadership a beautiful new building was
15 dedicated on November 6, 2011; and

16 WHEREAS, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church is one of
17 the oldest churches built by Blacks in Mobile, Alabama, having
18 been constructed on Dauphin Street near Tacon Street after
19 being organized in November 1869 by Commodore Reed, a freed
20 man; and

21 WHEREAS, the founders were later forced to move the
22 church because of rules that restricted the location of
23 Protestant denominations as well as churches for people of
24 color; and

25 WHEREAS, the original wooden church building was
26 torn down and moved piece by piece, under the pastorate of
27 Reverend Colston; and

1 WHEREAS, under the pastorate of Reverend George
2 Harris, another building was completed, and a kindergarten was
3 established, along with a Youth Fellowship Division and a
4 Foundation School, which was an extension of Birmingham
5 Baptist College; and

6 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Reverend Johnson,
7 who began his pastorate in 1988 with a dream that has now been
8 fulfilled, property was purchased for expansion of the church
9 and the vision became reality after decades of effort with the
10 completion of the multimillion dollar edifice; Reverend
11 Johnson has also shepherded the congregation's growth to
12 1,500, while adding the "New" designation to the Shiloh
13 Missionary Baptist Church's name and continuing the honored
14 traditions of community outreach; and

15 WHEREAS, Reverend Johnson answered the call to
16 preach at age 30 and has also made many contributions to
17 mankind through public service, having worked with the Alabama
18 Department of Rehabilitation Services and serving from
19 1985-2009 on the Mobile City Council, including eight years as
20 vice president and eight years as president; he studied at
21 Alabama A and M University, the University of South Alabama,
22 and the University of Mobile, and considers himself an
23 apostolic preacher, emphasizing the Holy Spirit and God's
24 blessings; he and his wife, Barbara, who is head of Christian
25 Education at the church, have three children and two
26 grandchildren; now therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
2 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That New Shiloh Missionary Baptist
3 Church is honored and commended and, by copy of this
4 resolution to Reverend Doctor Clinton Johnson, heartiest
5 congratulations are conveyed on the dedication of the
6 beautiful new building on November 6, 2011, along with sincere
7 best wishes for the future.