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3 By Representatives Sanderford and Patterson
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 10-APR-12

8 COMMENDING MARK HUDSON FOR DEDICATED SERVICE.
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10 WHEREAS, highest commendation is herein conveyed to
11 Mark Hudson, in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments
12 and dedicated service to the Huntsville Police Department for
13 over 31 years; and

14 WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Huntsville and
15 Madison County, Mark Hudson attended Huntsville City Schools
16 and graduated from Johnson High School; he has a Bachelor of
17 Science in Justice Studies and Public Safety Administration
18 from Athens State University, a Master of Science in Justice
19 and Public Safety Administration from Auburn University in
20 Montgomery, and he is a graduate of the FBI National Academy
21 in Quantico, Virginia, where he studied Leadership and
22 Executive Management; and

23 WHEREAS, Mark Hudson has been married to the former
24 Kim Martin for 27 years and together they have one son, Seth,
25 who is a college student; and

26 WHEREAS, over the years, Mark Hudson has served in
27 every rank with the Huntsville Police Department; his duties

1 have included patrol officer, Investigator, Patrol Sergeant,
2 Police Academy Supervisor, Shift Commander, Precinct
3 Commander, Patrol Division Commander, Administrative Bureau
4 Commander, and Operations Bureau Commander; in June, 2010, he
5 was appointed Interim Police Chief after serving as a Major
6 and Deputy Chief for more than 13 years; and

7 WHEREAS, during his years with the Huntsville Police
8 Department, Chief Hudson was instrumental in the Department's
9 original Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement, set
10 up task forces to decrease the number of robberies and
11 burglaries, established the first citizen's police advisory
12 committee, and unveiled the Fallen Officer's Memorial; and

13 WHEREAS, in addition to his role as Police Chief,
14 Chief Hudson continued as deputy chief in charge of
15 operations; and

16 WHEREAS, Chief Hudson has consistently gone beyond
17 the call of duty, contributing his time, energy, and resources
18 to the work of the Huntsville Police Department and the larger
19 community; through the years, he has earned respect for his
20 exceptional abilities and tireless dedication, and his
21 leadership will be greatly missed by members, who nonetheless
22 wish him well in his well-deserved retirement; now therefore,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
24 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Mark Hudson is most highly
25 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered in
26 admiration and appreciation to him on the occasion of his

1 retirement from the Huntsville Police Department along with
2 best wishes for the future.