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3 By Representatives Sanderford and Patterson  
4 RFD: Rules  
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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.