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8 COMMENDING DR. JOHN MALOY LONG FOR RECEIVING A 2012
9 KENNEDY CENTER/STEPHEN SONDEHEIM INSPIRATIONAL TEACHER AWARD.

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11 WHEREAS, Dr. John Maloy Long, after a distinguished
12 fifty-year teaching career as band director at Blount County
13 High School, Fort Payne High School, Robert E. Lee High School
14 of Montgomery, and Troy State University, has continued for
15 the past twelve years to teach and serve the citizens of his
16 state; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Long, as the founder and conductor of
18 the Southeast Alabama Community Band, has devoted countless
19 hours and unbounded energy during his years of retirement to
20 ensure the band's success; and

21 WHEREAS, the Southeast Community Band, under Dr.
22 Long's direction, has, for the past twelve seasons, presented
23 over fifty free public concerts in Troy, Montgomery,
24 Tallassee, Elba, Opelika, and Monroeville; and

25 WHEREAS, Dr. Long and the members of the band travel
26 significant distances each week at their own expense to attend

1 rehearsals and performances, receiving no remuneration of any
2 kind; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Long and the Southeast Alabama
4 Community Band perform each year traditional works for concert
5 band, including marches, challenging orchestral
6 transcriptions, original works for band, stage, and film
7 selections, patriotic and sacred works, and jazz showcases;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Long, the subject of a very popular
10 television feature story aired in 2011 by CBS News, was named
11 in February an Honorary Life Member of the American
12 Bandmasters Association, and was honored in March by the John
13 F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C.,
14 as a 2012 recipient of the prestigious Stephen Sondheim
15 Inspirational Teacher Award; now therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
17 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Dr. John Maloy Long and the
18 members of his Southeast Alabama Community Band are highly
19 honored and commended for their life-long service and their
20 contributions to the cultural life of the State of Alabama,
21 and by copy of this resolution, we offer deepest admiration
22 and appreciation, along with best wishes for all future
23 endeavors.