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3 By Senators Whatley, Dial, Beasley, Allen, Beason, Bedford,
4 Blackwell, Brewbaker, Bussman, Coleman, Dunn, Fielding,
5 Figures, Glover, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahey, Marsh,
6 McGill, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford, Scofield,
7 Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Taylor, Waggoner, Ward and
8 Williams
9 RFD:
10 First Read: 21-FEB-13

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8 COMMENDING CHIEF THOMAS MANGHAM.

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10 WHEREAS, we herein proudly present Chief Thomas
11 Mangham with highest commendations and congratulations on his
12 outstanding record of professional achievement on the occasion
13 of his retirement on February 28, 2013, after a 46-year career
14 in law enforcement; and

15 WHEREAS, Chief Mangham has served with exceptional
16 direction in his most recent position, which he entered on
17 October 15, 1991, for 22 years; through his expert guidance
18 and leadership, the Opelika Police Department has grown to
19 include 84 sworn officers, over 100 civilian personnel, and a
20 fleet of 53 vehicles; and

21 WHEREAS, some milestones of his distinguished tenure
22 as Chief of Police include the installation of the 800
23 trunking radio system, consolidation of the jail with Lee
24 County Detention Facility, and starting a canine unit;
25 notably, he led the way to install the mobile data system so
26 every police unit would be equipped with a computer and he

1 started the DARE Program in partnership with Opelika City
2 Schools; and

3 WHEREAS, Chief Mangham began as a Parking Control
4 Officer on February 1, 1967, and worked his way through the
5 ranks; he served as President of the Alabama Association of
6 Chiefs of Police; currently, he serves as Chairman of the 911
7 Board and is on the Implied Consent Board; and

8 WHEREAS, through the years, Chief Mangham has earned
9 immense respect for his tireless dedication and exceptional
10 abilities, and he is truly deserving of special recognition;
11 now therefore,

12 BE IT RESOLVED THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
13 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Chief Thomas Mangham is highly
14 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered to him
15 in deepest admiration and appreciation, along with sincere
16 best wishes for all future endeavors.