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3 By Representative Hall
4 RFD:
5 First Read: 20-MAR-13

8 HONORING SENIOR PASTOR LEROY R. COLE.
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10 WHEREAS, highest commendation is herein conveyed to
11 Senior Pastor Leroy R. Cole in recognition of more than 34
12 years of service to Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church in New
13 Market, Alabama; and

14 WHEREAS, called to serve Hopewell Missionary Baptist
15 Church in 1978, Pastor Cole is a devout servant-leader who has
16 instituted many outreach ministries and presided over
17 tremendous growth; and

18 WHEREAS, a man of great vision, he established the
19 Male Chorus, the Brotherhood, the Jail and Vision Ministries,
20 the Nurses Guild and Nurses Corps, and various other programs
21 designed to reach people in all walks of life; and

22 WHEREAS, Pastor Cole has made significant
23 contributions to the New Market Community through the
24 "Hopewell Experience" that he instituted, and he is also
25 esteemed for his involvement in educational endeavors that
26 have impacted the lives of countless young people; and

1 WHEREAS, intent on spreading a spiritual message, he
2 has been a leader in encouraging growth in church membership
3 and expansion of worship facilities; with his wife, First Lady
4 Sister Linda Cole at his side, Pastor Cole has directed a
5 flourishing ministry dedicated to providing inspiration and
6 strengthening the bonds of faith; and

7 WHEREAS, Pastor Cole continues to serve God and
8 mankind, having taken on the role of Pastor Emeritus in
9 December 2012, with plans to remain active in preaching and
10 teaching; now therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
12 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That it is a pleasure to honor and
13 commend Senior Pastor Leroy R. Cole for his exemplary
14 Christian service, and by copy of this resolution in
15 recognition of more than 34 years at Hopewell Missionary
16 Baptist Church, we extend best wishes in all future endeavors.