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3 By Senators Allen, Albritton, Beasley, Blackwell, Brewbaker,
4 Bussman, Chambliss, Coleman-Madison, Dial, Dunn, Figures,
5 Glover, Hightower, Holley, Holtzclaw, Livingston, Marsh,
6 McClendon, Melson, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford,
7 Scofield, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Stutts,
8 Waggoner, Ward, Whatley and Williams
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4 ENROLLED, SJR19,

5 COMMENDING AMERICAN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY GIRLS'

6 BASKETBALL COACH BUDDY SUMNER FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE FOR 50
7 YEARS.

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9 WHEREAS, it is with great pride and pleasure that we
10 recognize and commend Buddy Sumner, girls basketball coach at
11 the American Christian Academy of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, for
12 fifty years of coaching; he recently was presented a plaque by
13 his players in recognition of this milestone; and

14 WHEREAS, Coach Sumner has touched countless lives in
15 the five decades he has served the youth in West Alabama; he
16 has coached daughters of some of his earlier players,
17 including his own daughter and granddaughter, and four of his
18 current players' mothers played for Coach Sumner; and

19 WHEREAS, a graduate of Tuscaloosa County High
20 School, Coach Sumner began his coaching career in 1966 at
21 Tuscaloosa Junior High School; he coached at West End
22 Christian and Wilcox Academy before he began coaching at
23 American Christian Academy in 2009; and

24 WHEREAS, during his career, Coach Sumner has won 16
25 state championships in three different sports; he won six

1 state championship titles in girls basketball at West End
2 Christian, and four at Wilcox Academy; he won four state track
3 championships and two softball state championships at West End
4 Christian; and

5 WHEREAS, Coach Sumner is a member of the AISA Hall
6 of Fame and a beloved father figure to many he has coached;
7 his current and many former players recently honored Coach
8 Sumner for his experience, dedication, and leadership; he
9 exemplifies the qualities that sustain young athletes and
10 inspire excellence in sports; and

11 WHEREAS, Coach Sumner has indeed inspired and
12 encouraged many players and they will carry with them
13 throughout their lives the numerous positive experiences they
14 have gained under his supervision; now therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
16 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in tribute to an outstanding
17 record of achievements and fifty years of coaching, we hereby
18 most highly commend Coach Buddy Sumner and direct that he
19 receive a copy of this resolution as an expression of our
20 sincere regard and best wishes for every future success.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

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Patrick Harris
Secretary

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House of Representatives

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By: Senator Allen