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3 By Representatives Ford, Black, Lindsey, Morrow, Grimsley,  
4 Bracy, Buskey, Lawrence and Scott  
5 RFD: Rules  
6 First Read: 14-FEB-17

8               RECOGNIZING LANCE L. LATHAM FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED  
9 SERVICE AS THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE OFFICE OF THE MINORITY  
10 LEADER FOR THE ALABAMA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.  
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12               WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations  
13 are herein proudly presented to our good friend and colleague,  
14 Lance L. Latham for his distinguished service as the Chief of  
15 Staff of the Office of the Minority Leader for the Alabama  
16 House of Representatives from 2012 until 2017; and

17               WHEREAS, Lance L. Latham's expert guidance and  
18 leadership, strong work ethic, and attention to detail, along  
19 with his unwavering commitment to excellence, have served as  
20 invaluable assets to the Alabama House of Representatives; and

21               WHEREAS, Lance L. Latham is a one-of-a-kind public  
22 servant whose advocacy for the fine people of our great state  
23 has been extraordinary; while serving as the Chief of Staff  
24 for the Office of the Minority Leader, he has efficiently  
25 executed responsibilities including serving as an advisor on  
26 the topic of legislative, political, and communications  
27 strategy, drafting legislative summaries and talking points

1 for committee and floor debate, conducting research on  
2 legislative issues and policies, tracking legislation through  
3 the political process, and managing staff and overseeing the  
4 office's daily operations; and

5 WHEREAS, Lance L. Lathan has recently entered the  
6 position of Deputy Director for the Alabama Manufactured  
7 Housing Association, and his extensive record of achievement  
8 is indicative of the tremendous heights he will reach in this  
9 new role; and

10 WHEREAS, over the course of his impressive career,  
11 Lance L. Latham, who holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in  
12 History and Political Science and a Master of Arts Degree in  
13 Communication Studies from The University of Alabama, has also  
14 served as an Adjunct Instructor for The University of Alabama  
15 Department of Communications, Deputy Finance Director during  
16 Bobby Bright's Campaign for Congress, and an associate at  
17 Matrix, L.L.C.; and

18 WHEREAS, Representative Craig Ford's description of  
19 Lance L. Latham as a true statesman and friend is echoed by  
20 the House Democratic Caucus and all Alabamians; through the  
21 years, Lance L. Latham earned widespread admiration and  
22 respect while serving as Chief of Staff of the Office of the  
23 Minority Leader, and he is truly deserving of special  
24 commendation and praise; now therefore,

25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
26 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Lance L. Latham is honored and  
27 commended, and this resolution is offered to him in highest

1       tribute, along with sincere best wishes for continued success  
2       in all future endeavors.