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2 205832-3
3 By Representative Lawrence
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 05-MAR-20

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 CELEBRATING 50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE

4 ALABAMA-TOMBIGBEE RIVERS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

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6 WHEREAS, a group of county, city, and state
7 officials from Choctaw, Clarke, Conecuh, Dallas, Marengo,
8 Monroe, Perry, Washington, and Wilcox Counties met Friday,
9 August 28, 1970, for the purpose of forming an area regional
10 planning and development commission and on July 1, 1971,
11 Sumter County was admitted for the same purpose; and

12 WHEREAS, Judge Josiah R. Bonner, Wilcox County, was
13 unanimously voted chairman and stated "today is an important
14 day in the history of this area of Alabama, and this group
15 would start a movement that would work for the betterment of
16 all concerned"; and

17 WHEREAS, On October 13, 1971, Governor Albert Brewer
18 certified a petition for certification of the
19 Alabama-Tombigbee Rivers Regional Planning Commission (ATRC)
20 pursuant to Section 3 of Act No. 1126, Regular Session 1969,
21 Legislature of Alabama; and

22 WHEREAS, ATRC serves to strengthen the counties and
23 cities within its regions by identifying and studying
24 problems, reviewing and coordinating plans and proposals, and
25 recommending appropriate policies and actions; and

1 WHEREAS, ATRC today is the certified agent of
2 several state and federal services such as the Economic
3 Development Administration, Delta Regional Authority, Rural
4 Transportation Planning Organization (RPO), Rural
5 Transportation Service Provider, Area Agency on Aging, and the
6 Revolving Loan Fund; and

7 WHEREAS, these services have enhanced the quality of
8 life, health and welfare, economic development, and public
9 infrastructure for hundreds of thousands of people served by
10 ATRC; now therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That each county shall receive a
13 copy of this resolution to be appropriately displayed in the
14 county courthouse; and the children of Judge Josiah Bonner, Jo
15 Bonner, Judy Bonner, and Jimmy Bonner shall each receive a
16 copy honoring their father as the First ATRC Chairman.

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4 Speaker of the House of Representatives

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6 President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

7 House of Representatives

8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
9 and was adopted by the House 12-MAR-20.

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Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

07-MAY-20

Adopted