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3 By Representatives Drummond, Alexander, Allen, Baker, Ball,
4 Bedsole, Blackshear, Boyd, Bracy, Brown (C), Brown (K), Carns,
5 Chestnut, Clarke, Clouse, Coleman, Collins, Crawford, Daniels,
6 Dismukes, Drake, Easterbrook, Ellis, England, Estes, Farley,
7 Faulkner, Faust, Fincher, Forte, Garrett, Gaston, Givan, Gray,
8 Greer, Grimsley, Hall, Hanes, Harbison, Hill, Hollis, Holmes,
9 Howard, Hurst, Ingram, Isbell, Jackson, Jones (M), Jones (S),
10 Kiel, Kitchens, Lawrence, Ledbetter, Lee, Lipscomb, Lovvorn,
11 Marques, McCampbell, McClammy, McCutcheon, McMillan, Meadows,
12 Mooney, Moore (M), Moore (P), Morris, Nordgren, Oliver,
13 Pettus, Poole, Pringle, Rafferty, Reynolds, Rich, Robbins,
14 Robertson, Rogers, Rowe, Sanderford, Scott, Sells, Shaver,
15 Shedd, Shiver, Simpson, Smith, Sorrell, Sorrells, South,
16 Stadthagen, Standridge, Stringer, Sullivan, Treadaway,
17 Wadsworth, Warren, Wheeler, Whitt, Whorton, Wilcox, Wingo,
18 Wood (D) and Wood (R)
19 RFD:
20 First Read: 09-MAR-21

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 HONORING ROOSEVELT SMITHERMAN FOR OUTSTANDING
4 SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT.

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6 WHEREAS, in a strong desire to recognize notable
7 citizens who have had a substantial impact on life in the
8 State of Alabama, we take great pleasure in honoring a
9 distinguished Alabamian, Mr. Roosevelt Smitherman, whose
10 contributions and over four decades of service to the Alabama
11 House of Representatives and the State of Alabama are
12 unparalleled; and

13 WHEREAS, Webster's dictionary defines gentleman as a
14 man who combines gentle birth or rank with chivalrous
15 qualities and as a man whose conduct conforms to a high
16 standard of propriety, this is the truest meaning of Mr.
17 Smitherman; and

18 WHEREAS, a supervisor of Legislative Maintenance and
19 Repair, Mr. Smitherman was born on March 11, 1935; he is
20 well-loved and highly respected for his thoughtful, unending
21 genuine care and concern, and dedicated service; he takes
22 pride in his work and demonstrates this quality effortlessly;
23 he naturally strives to make a positive difference and help
24 everyone who comes across his path; and

1 WHEREAS, his love and care for the members, as well
2 as the staff, of the Alabama House of Representatives is
3 evident in the path he chose for his life's work, always
4 striving tirelessly to immaculately care for all areas of the
5 House of Representatives; through his exceptional attention to
6 detail and his unending pride in all his efforts; and

7 WHEREAS, he would always take time to assist the
8 members and co-workers, repairing all types of things from a
9 broken shoe heel of a co-worker to assisting with car issues,
10 to asking if he could help carry bags, to unlocking a door or
11 even pushing the elevator button; the dedicated, hardworking,
12 and humble Mr. Smitherman never complains and is always the
13 last one to leave for the day; and

14 WHEREAS, he is lovingly devoted to his wife of 45
15 years, Lelia P. Smitherman; his children, Alpha Dean
16 Washington, Bobby Smitherman, and Naomi Smitherman; his
17 grandchildren, Carey Washington, Keyonna Shack, Josiah
18 Smitherman, Jaydon Smitherman, Bobby Smitherman, Jr., Jeremy
19 Smitherman, Jordon Smitherman, Jada Smitherman, Layla
20 Smitherman, and Jalen Mobley; and great-grandchild, Chloe
21 Washington; Mr. Smitherman has regarded the Alabama House of
22 Representatives as an extension of his larger family and
23 sought the happiness and welfare of everyone; and

24 WHEREAS, while the members and staff of the House of
25 Representatives will feel a void with his retirement we are

1 truly grateful for the way in which he demonstrated his love
2 and concern to us and we are overjoyed that he will be able to
3 spend more quality time relaxing and cherishing his family;
4 now therefore,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
6 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we are pleased to honor our
7 beloved friend, Mr. Roosevelt Smitherman, for his
8 contributions and dedicated service to the Alabama House of
9 Representatives and to all Alabamians, and this resolution is
10 offered in tribute to an extraordinary gentleman.

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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 09-MAR-21.

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Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

11-MAR-21

Adopted