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3       By Senators Roberts, Albritton, Allen, Barfoot, Beasley,  
4       Butler, Chambliss, Chesteen, Coleman-Madison, Dunn, Elliott,  
5       Figures, Givhan, Gudger, Hatcher, Holley, Jones, Livingston,  
6       Marsh, McClendon, Melson, Orr, Price, Reed, Sanders-Fortier,  
7       Scofield, Sessions, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smitherman, Stutts,  
8       Waggoner, Whatley and Williams  
9       RFD:  
10      First Read: 11-MAR-21

HONORING AND COMMENDING KAREN R. MILLER FOR HER WORK WITH THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON THE TAX CUTS AND JOBS ACT, THE ALABAMA TAXPAYER STIMULUS FREEDOM ACT OF 2021, AND THE ALABAMA BUSINESS TAX COMPETITIVENESS ACT.

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2021, Governor Kay Ivey signed Act 2021-1, legislation that exempted federal COVID-19 relief funds from state income taxation, ensuring that those funds benefit the state by directly benefitting its residents, as intended; and

WHEREAS, the passage of this legislation could not have occurred without the participation of the Joint Legislative Task Force on the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, who worked over an 18-month period to discuss policy, consider short- and long-term effects, and craft legislation; and

WHEREAS, among the leaders of that charge was Karen R. Miller, instructor at The University of Alabama Culverhouse School of Accountancy, who poured her limitless counsel and energy into every aspect of this legislative concept, from inception to the drafting of legislation; her academic and

1 professional pedigree includes degrees from The University of  
2 Alabama and the University of Virginia as well as experience  
3 in international public accounting, all of which she leveraged  
4 for the benefit of this state; and

5 WHEREAS, throughout the mission of the task force,  
6 Karen R. Miller was always ready to review, calculate,  
7 correct, and discuss any aspect of the project; she was always  
8 solution-minded, offering her wise counsel in a constructive  
9 manner that benefitted the project and the state; and she  
10 brought a wealth of resources to the task force, including  
11 coordinating the services of University of Alabama doctoral  
12 students and the Alabama Society of Certified Public  
13 Accountants; and

14 WHEREAS, Karen R. Miller's public service extends  
15 beyond the task force; she serves as a member of the State  
16 Taxation and Legislation Committee for the Alabama Society of  
17 Certified Public Accountants, speaks at continuing education  
18 events and publishes articles on taxation topics for the  
19 society, serves on the Undergraduate Council for The  
20 University of Alabama, and is a member of the Capital Campaign  
21 Committee and the Board of Visitors for the Culverhouse  
22 College of Business at the University; and

23 WHEREAS, through her consensus-building style, as  
24 shown by her steady inclusion and consideration of interested  
25 and affected parties, and her commitment to success, this  
26 consummate teacher and role model has exhibited the spirit of  
27 a true public servant; now therefore,

1                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
2           HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Karen R. Miller is hereby  
3           honored and commended for her public service through the  
4           hundreds of hours she committed to the Joint Legislative Task  
5           Force on the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, the Alabama Taxpayer  
6           Economic Stimulus Freedom Act of 2021, and the Alabama  
7           Business Tax Competitiveness Act, as well as the daily service  
8           she renders to the state and its flagship university.

9                   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
10          resolution be delivered to Karen R. Miller, as a small token  
11          of our immense gratitude on behalf of the state and all its  
12          residents.