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3 By Senators Orr, Albritton, Allen, Barfoot, Beasley, Butler,  
4 Chambliss, Chesteen, Coleman-Madison, Dunn, Elliott, Figures,  
5 Givhan, Gudger, Hatcher, Holley, Jones, Livingston, Marsh,  
6 McClendon, Melson, Price, Reed, Roberts, Sanders-Fortier,  
7 Scofield, Sessions, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smitherman, Stutts,  
8 Waggoner, Weaver, Whatley and Williams  
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4 ENROLLED, SJR5,

5 COMMENDING DON DAILEY UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM  
6 ALABAMA PUBLIC TELEVISION.

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8 WHEREAS, on November 30, 2021, Alabama Public  
9 Television announced the retirement of Don Dailey, longtime  
10 Alabama political journalist and host of Alabama Public  
11 Television's "Capitol Journal"; and

12 WHEREAS, although he was a regular sight around Goat  
13 Hill for decades, Mr. Dailey first began his journalistic  
14 career working in other media in various Alabama locales; Mr.  
15 Dailey got his start during high school in Marengo County  
16 working at a small radio station in Demopolis, and then, while  
17 earning his Bachelor of Science in Broadcast Journalism from  
18 Troy University, worked at various stations in Monroeville,  
19 Troy, and Montgomery; and

20 WHEREAS, after covering Birmingham and the Wiregrass  
21 regions as a radio reporter and serving as News Director of  
22 Cox Media Group in Birmingham, Alabama, Mr. Dailey truly found  
23 his niche in the world of journalism when he joined Alabama  
24 Public Television as News and Public Affairs Director and,

most recognizably, as host of the "Capitol Journal" and "Spotlight on Education" programs; and

WHEREAS, whether it was on his "Word of the Week" segment on Alabama Public Radio or on his nightly "Capitol Journal" program, Mr. Dailey spent his career bringing the State House to the people; his accessible and informative reporting style and his exclusive interviews with state government figures made each and every citizen feel as if they themselves were in the press booth, separated from the political proceedings only by a mere pane of glass; and

WHEREAS, throughout this lengthy career in Alabama media, both political and not, Mr. Dailey served as an example of journalistic objectivity, one of the guiding principles of journalism; by constantly striving - and succeeding - to maintain impartiality while delving into the nuances of local and state politics, Mr. Dailey did his critical part in working to preserve democracy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dailey is owed endless thanks for his indispensable role in educating Alabamians on the political process and keeping the public informed of the operations of their government; with this resolution, this body aims to do its small part in honoring this true gentleman of the Fourth Estate; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Mr. Don Dailey is commended

1 for his long career of public service through journalism, and  
2 that a copy of this resolution be delivered to him as a small  
3 token of our immense esteem and immeasurable gratitude.

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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 Orr