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3 By Representative Oliver
4 RFD:
5 First Read: 29-MAR-22

COMMENDING COLONEL JOSEPH C. WINDLE ON HIS
RETIREMENT.

WHEREAS, on the occasion of his retirement, we find it necessary and proper to recount the accomplishments and accolades of Colonel Joseph "Joe" C. Windle in recognition of his decades of outstanding service to the State of Alabama and the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Windle was born and raised in Tallapoosa County; he graduated from Auburn University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education; received a Master's Degree from Kansas University; completed the Strategic Planning Advanced Management Program at Columbia University; graduated from the Army's Command and General Staff College; and graduated from the Air Force War College; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Windle had a distinguished career in the United States Army, where he served for 28 years and retired at the rank of Colonel; during his tenure with the Army, Colonel Windle served as an Army Ranger, paratrooper, and commanded at every level, from company through brigade,

1 including serving as Chief of Staff, 25th Infantry Division,
2 and Chief of Staff, United States Army Infantry School, Fort
3 Benning, Georgia;

4 WHEREAS, Colonel Windle received many military
5 awards and decorations for his outstanding service, including:
6 The Legion of Merit (four awards); Bronze Star; Purple Heart;
7 and Meritorious Service Medal (five awards); Army Commendation
8 Medal; the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry; and the Combat
9 Infantryman's Badge; and

10 WHEREAS, he served our state to improve the quality
11 of education in the state and Tallapoosa County, serving as
12 Superintendent of the Tallapoosa County School District;
13 Principal of Dadeville Elementary School; Principal's Coach
14 with the Alabama State Department of Education; Principal of
15 Reeltown High School; Commandant of Lyman Ward Military
16 Academy; and Professor of Military Science at Auburn
17 University; and

18 WHEREAS, he is a former Rotarian and is currently a
19 member of the Dadeville Kiwanis Club and a member of First
20 Baptist Church of Reeltown, where he serves as a Deacon; now
21 therefore,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
23 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Colonel Joseph "Joe" C.
24 Windle is highly commended for his decades of public service
25 to the State of Alabama and the United States of America, and
26 that a copy of this resolution be delivered to him as a small
27 token of our immense esteem and immeasurable gratitude.

