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3 By Representative Boyd
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4 HR_____ COMMENDING DOUG MARSHALL FOR PROFESSIONAL
5 ACHIEVEMENT.
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7 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein presented
8 to Mr. Doug Marshall, President and CEO of Presbyterian Home
9 for Children, on being honored by the Willie and Betty
10 Farrior Family Foundation for his outstanding service to the
11 Talladega community and the State of Alabama; and

12 WHEREAS, the Willie and Betty Farrior Family
13 Foundation is a nonprofit organization established in 2017,
14 by Colonel (Retired) Cedrick A. Farrior in memory of his
15 grandparents; both were native Alabamians who unfortunately
16 lost their vision at an early age; they both attended the
17 Alabama School for the Negro Deaf and Blind in Talladega,
18 Alabama; they were married in October 1945; Willie was the
19 first Black blind individual to be employed at Alabama
20 Industries for the Blind in June 1950; Willie retired after
21 completion of 40 years of employment; Betty retired after
22 completion of 27 years of employment; and

23 WHEREAS, in a state with so many homeless children
24 who have been displaced in life, Mr. Marshall joined the
25 Home in 2017 and has dedicated his life and heart to leading
26 the Home's efforts in helping put both homeless children and
27 their mothers as well as young female adults on a path of
28 hope, along with providing a residential therapeutic



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29 treatment program for teenage girls who have experienced
30 extreme trauma and neglect; the Home also provides a Cognia
31 fully-accredited K-12 school, Ascension Leadership Academy
32 focused on academics and leadership for its residential
33 students in addition to children and youth from surrounding
34 communities; and

35 WHEREAS, Mr. Marshall also serves as a career and
36 life coach with Grace Ministries and has co-founded two
37 community newspapers, The Selma Sun and The Leeds Tribune;
38 he graduated Cum Laude from the University of West Florida
39 with his Bachelor's in Accounting and a minor in Finance
40 and was recognized as a distinguished alumnus in 2012; a
41 native of Meridian, Mississippi, and a graduate of Meridian
42 High School with Highest Honors, Mr. Marshall and his wife,
43 Christy, have 3 adult children, and 2 grandchildren; now
44 therefore,

45 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
46 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Mr. Doug Marshall is highly
47 commended and congratulated on being honored by the Willie
48 and Betty Farrior Family Foundation for his outstanding
49 service to the Talladega community and to the State of
50 Alabama, and this resolution is offered to him with utmost
51 appreciation, along with best wishes in all future
52 endeavors.