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5 Barton, Beasley, Beck, Beech, Bentley, Black, Boothe, Boyd,
6 Bridges, Buskey, Canfield, Clouse, Coleman, Collier, Curtis,
7 Davis, DeMarco, Drake, Dukes, England, Faust, Fields, Fincher,
8 Ford, Galliher, Gaston, Gipson, Gordon, Graham, Grantland,
9 Greeson, Grimes, Guin, Hall, Hammett, Hammon, Harper, Hill,
10 Hilliard, Hinshaw, Holmes, Howard, Hubbard, Hurst, Irons,
11 Ison, Johnson, Kennedy, Knight, Laird, Letson, Lewis, Lindsey,
12 Love, Martin, Mask, McAdory, McCampbell, McClendon, McClurkin,
13 McCutcheon, McLaughlin, Millican, Mitchell, Moore (M), Moore
14 (P), Morrow, Newton (C), Newton (D), Oden, Page, Payne,
15 Robinson (J), Robinson (O), Rogers, Salaam, Scott, Sherer,
16 Shiver, Spicer, Taylor, Thigpen, Thomas (E), Thomas (J), Todd,
17 Treadaway, Vance, Warren, White, Williams (J), Williams (P),
18 Wood and Wren
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8 COMMENDING TALMADGE BUTLER FOR PROFESSIONAL
9 ACHIEVEMENT.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendation is conveyed to
12 Talmadge Butler in recognition of his outstanding record of
13 achievement and public service during a distinguished 35-year
14 career in the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural
15 Resources; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Butler has announced his retirement
17 from his position as District Manager and Park Superintendent
18 at Lake Guntersville State Park, where his dedication and
19 superb management were instrumental in the completion of a \$26
20 million renovation project, leading to the successful
21 reopening of the Lodge after two and a half years; in his role
22 as District Manager, he is responsible for four parks, DeSoto,
23 Buck's Pocket, and Cathedral Caverns as well as Lake
24 Guntersville; and

25 WHEREAS, since embarking upon his exemplary career
26 in April 1974, Mr. Butler has held a number of key positions
27 in Alabama's nationally acclaimed State Park System; his

1 earliest interests within the system were in law enforcement,
2 and he is credited with successful investigative work as well
3 as many years as a firearms instructor; and

4 WHEREAS, among his many accomplishments as a
5 conservationist, he initiated and implemented the Canyon
6 Cleanup in Little River Canyon, winning first place three
7 times at the national level in the Take Pride in America
8 Awards; Mr. Butler was named to the Alabama Tourism Hall of
9 Fame for outstanding achievement in the state's tourism
10 industry; in addition, he supervised development of the
11 beautiful, 1,000-foot Boardwalk Trail at DeSoto State Park,
12 where he also participated in the early stages of the bridge
13 project that visitors now enjoy; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Butler's commitment to the environment
15 is accompanied by his devotion to family; he and his wife,
16 Alice, have been married for 37 years; there are five
17 children, 12 grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter; and

18 WHEREAS, through the years, Mr. Butler has earned
19 widespread respect for his tireless dedication and exceptional
20 skills; his legacy of contributions to the State of Alabama
21 will endure for future generations; now therefore,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF
23 ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Talmadge Butler
24 is honored and commended for his outstanding record of
25 achievement and service during a distinguished 35-year career
26 in the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural
27 Resources, and this resolution is offered in highest tribute

1 and with deepest appreciation to him, along with best wishes
2 as he begins his well-deserved retirement from his position as
3 District Manager and Park Superintendent at Lake Guntersville
4 State Park.