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8 CONGRATULATING DOCTOR THOMAS MOSES PATTERSON ON THE
9 OCCASION OF HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY.

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11 WHEREAS, it is a great pleasure to extend
12 commendations and congratulations to a remarkable Alabamian,
13 Thomas Moses Patterson, DC, on the occasion of celebrating his
14 100th birthday on May 3, 2010; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Patterson is an amazing centenarian of
16 great stamina; he remains self-sufficient and in good health
17 and is constantly on the move, usually doing something to help
18 someone; and

19 WHEREAS, he is a beloved member of the Tallassee
20 community whose longtime career as a chiropractor earned him
21 the respect and admiration of his peers and patients; 67 years
22 ago, encouraged by a local chiropractor who recognized his
23 natural abilities, Dr. Patterson quit his job as the manager
24 of a grocery store in Alexander City and moved to Iowa to
25 enroll in the Palmer School of Chiropractic; and

26 WHEREAS, upon completion of a rigorous course of
27 studies, Dr. Patterson returned to Alabama in 1947 and opened

1 a clinic in Tallassee, where he began seeing as many as 30 to
2 40 patients a day; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Patterson's worthy accomplishments have
4 been marked by many honors and awards, including receiving the
5 1999 Lifetime Achievement Award presented by the Alabama State
6 Chiropractic Association for recognition of excellence; and

7 WHEREAS, in addition to his responsibilities as a
8 chiropractor, Dr. Patterson and his beloved wife, the late
9 Clyde McNeal Patterson, owned and operated the Hotel Talisi
10 for 29 years; under their love and guidance, Hotel Talisi
11 became a tourist attraction known for its hospitality and
12 Southern-style home cooking, serving fresh produce purchased
13 weekly by Dr. Patterson from the Atlanta Farmers Market; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Patterson epitomizes the true Southern
15 gentleman and has rarely been seen without a suit, white
16 shirt, and tie -- except when he donned coveralls to mow the
17 grass at his home, which he continued to do into his late
18 nineties, along with driving one of his two automobiles and
19 seeing patients; and

20 WHEREAS, in his Centennial year, Dr. Patterson
21 remains a source of inspiration and is held in highest regard
22 by all those who are privileged to know him, especially the
23 many patients he has treated with skill and compassion; now
24 therefore,

25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
26 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Dr. Thomas Moses Patterson is
27 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered in

1 highest tribute and deepest appreciation to him on the
2 occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday, along with
3 heartiest congratulations and best wishes for the future.