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By Representatives Buskey, Burdine, Black, Hill and Galliher

RFD: Rules

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HONORING MRS. MARION ROSEMORE AND WELCOMING HER TO THE STATE HOUSE.

WHEREAS, it is a great pleasure to recognize and welcome Mrs. Marion Rosemore, a native Alabamian who epitomizes the intrepid spirit that propels the success of the American dream; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Ramsey High School in Birmingham, she married a hero of World War II, and together they rose from humble beginnings to a business empire of national scale, working long hours, living frugally, and setting high goals with entrepreneurial vigor; and

WHEREAS, her late husband of 63 years, Dr. Fred Rosemore, obtained his well-earned education with the GI Bill, having served as a navigator in a B-17 shot down over Hungary in World War II and imprisoned in a POW Camp until freed by Allied Forces in 1945; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rosemore utilized her stenography and secretarial skills as his business partner while her husband's optometry practice in Fayette, Alabama, prospered and the

couple branched out into business ventures including laundromats, apartment buildings, commercial rental property, financial investments, a radio station, motel, and movie theaters, among numerous other enterprises; and

WHEREAS, in the late 1970s, the Rosemores founded Pro-Med Capital, which merged with a sister company and is now PMC Commercial Trust (PCC), listed on the New York Stock Exchange; among the company's specialties are loans helping people set up in business; and

WHEREAS, the Rosemores lived most of their life together in Fayette, rearing their family of five children in Alabama and personifying the values of family and community while emphasizing the transcendent importance of a good education; and

WHEREAS, no measure of merit may be detracted from the standing of Mrs. Rosemore by the fact that she is the mother-in-law of our friend and colleague, Representative Johnny Mack Morrow; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we honor Mrs. Marion Rosemore and, by copy of this resolution, we offer her a warm welcome to the State House and convey our highest commendation for a lifetime of achievement along with best wishes in all future endeavors.