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3 By Representatives Clouse and Lee  
4 RFD: Rules  
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8 COMMENDING COACH JIM ROBBINS OF DOTHAN, ALABAMA, ON  
9 HIS PROFESSIONAL CAREER.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that the  
12 Legislature of Alabama is pleased to honor Coach Jim Robbins  
13 of Dothan, Alabama, for his distinguished and widely heralded  
14 career; and

15 WHEREAS, in 1967, after graduating from Dothan High  
16 School, Coach Robbins was a baseball walk-on at Wallace  
17 Community College and held the home-run hitting record, was  
18 the All Conference player his sophomore year, and drove the  
19 bus for Coach Opert and Wallace Community College Basketball  
20 Team; and

21 WHEREAS, Coach Robbins was later recruited by  
22 Jacksonville State University, to play baseball, where he  
23 played for two years, and in 1972, after graduation he tried  
24 out for the Cincinnati Red Socks, but chose instead to begin  
25 his coaching career; and

26 WHEREAS, his 38-year coaching career began at  
27 Ashford High School where he taught History and coached for 18

1 years; he taught and coached for three years at Northview High  
2 School, and beginning in 1994, he taught and coached for eight  
3 years at Wicksburg High School; in 2003, he became the Houston  
4 Academy's Athletic Director and for three years coached the  
5 boys varsity baseball team; then in 2011 he once again became  
6 coach of the team and made it to the third round of the  
7 Alabama High School State Play-offs; he has actively  
8 volunteered and coached Post 12 for 15 years; and

9 WHEREAS, Coach Robbins has been named Coach of the  
10 Year several times over his career and in the years of  
11 coaching Post 12, has won four State Championships; and

12 WHEREAS, Coach Robbins has influenced numerous  
13 students through his dynamic classroom interpretation of  
14 History and has been active in assisting students in receiving  
15 college scholarships; now therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
17 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we gratefully commend Coach  
18 Jim Robbins for his stellar achievements as a baseball coach  
19 and teacher, and we offer this resolution in tribute to an  
20 extraordinary Alabamian.