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3 By Representatives Bridges and Laird
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8 COMMENDING SHIRRELL ROBERTS, 2011 EXECUTIVE BRANCH
9 STATE EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR.

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11 WHEREAS, the State Personnel Department will
12 recognize one exceptional employee from the Executive,
13 Legislative, and Judicial Branches of state government for
14 2011; and

15 WHEREAS, with immense pride we note that the 2011
16 Executive Branch State Employee of the Year is Mr. Shirrell
17 Roberts, Assistant Director for Infrastructure Protection with
18 the Department of Homeland Security, whose work on behalf of
19 the department and the citizens of our state has been
20 extraordinary; and

21 WHEREAS, a graduate of West Point, Mr. Roberts
22 served as a Captain in the Army and began his state service
23 with the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs
24 as a Planning and Economic Development Specialist and was a
25 vital participant in the management for Law Enforcement
26 Grants; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Roberts transferred to the Department
2 of Homeland Security as an Emergency Management Planner and
3 was later promoted to Assistant Director for Infrastructure
4 Protection, where he focuses on improving the safety and
5 security of the department's critical infrastructure,
6 including transportation and ports; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Roberts played a vital role in helping
8 assure a safe environment for Governor Bentley's inauguration,
9 and his experience proved to be an asset in the department's
10 transition to new leadership; and

11 WHEREAS, always exhibiting a positive attitude, Mr.
12 Roberts currently serves on several important homeland
13 security committees and has fostered valuable relationships
14 with other state agencies and has taken on additional duties
15 considering the current budget crisis, including continuing to
16 mentor other employees to assist them with their career
17 development and personal growth; and

18 WHEREAS, it is quite evident that Mr. Roberts is a
19 fine person, with colleagues highly valuing his friendship,
20 loyalty, patience, persistence, and genuine concern for
21 others; now therefore,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
23 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That with great pride and pleasure
24 we commend Mr. Shirrell Roberts for his well-deserved
25 selection as the 2011 Executive Branch State Employee of the
26 Year. A copy of this document shall be presented to Mr.

1 Roberts accompanied by our deep admiration and sincere
2 appreciation.