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ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,  
RECOGNIZING CRAIG A. DONLEY FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE  
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND WISHING HIM A  
SPEEDY RECOVERY.

WHEREAS, it is with great pleasure that we recognize  
Craig A. Donley for many years of outstanding service to the  
Department of Industrial Relations, and we also wish him a  
speedy recovery; and

WHEREAS, a native of Dallas, Texas, Mr. Donley is a  
graduate of Southern Methodist University with a degree in  
business administration and the Jones School of Law with a  
degree in law; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Donley began his exemplary career of  
service to this state as a workers' compensation examiner with  
the Department of Industrial Relations in 1974, and after  
obtaining his law degree and passing the Bar exam in 1978, he  
was transferred to the legal division as an assistant general  
counsel where he skillfully tried unemployment cases, drafted  
legal opinions, and attended to other litigation matters  
affecting the department; and

WHEREAS, spearheading the first update of the  
workers' compensation law in this state in over 70 years, Mr.  
Donley played a key role in drafting the major reform of the

1 workers' compensation law, which was adopted by this  
2 Legislature in 1992; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Donley was appointed head of the  
4 Governmental Affairs Division of the Department of Industrial  
5 Relations in 1996, where he faithfully served as a liaison  
6 with the Alabama Legislature and Congress, as well as other  
7 entities of local, state, and federal government, making a  
8 lasting impression on a multitude of state legislators; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Donley has two daughters, Robin (Dan)  
10 and grandson Ryan of California; and Taylor (Paul) of  
11 Wetumpka, Alabama; now therefore,

12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
13 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Craig A. Donley is hereby  
14 commended for outstanding service to the Department of  
15 Industrial Relations, and we sincerely wish for him a speedy  
16 recovery so that he may soon be back with us.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
18 resolution shall be provided to him so that he may know of our  
19 best wishes.

