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3 By Representative Rich
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8 COMMENDING RHONDA BALLENTINE, A FINALIST FOR THE
9 SECOND ANNUAL TOP TEACHER SEARCH SPONSORED BY THE "LIVE! WITH
10 REGIS AND KELLY" SHOW.
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12 WHEREAS, we are pleased to recognize Rhonda
13 Ballentine for being voted a top-five finalist in the Second
14 Annual Top Teacher Search sponsored by the "Live! With Regis
15 and Kelly" show; and

16 WHEREAS, an advanced math teacher at Boaz High
17 School, Mrs. Ballentine was nominated for the celebrated award
18 by her aunt, Margaret Jones; and

19 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ballentine has faithfully devoted 28
20 years to educating young people, where her students gravitate
21 to her as a result of her genuine compassion and concern for
22 each student's personal and academic well-being, motivating
23 each student to strive for success in the future; and

24 WHEREAS, one of the first Alabama teachers
25 participating in an innovative distance learning program, Mrs.
26 Ballentine impacts the lives of students in her physical

1 presence, as well as students up to one hundred fifty miles
2 away via video conferencing equipment; and

3 WHEREAS, an unprecedented number of students, of all
4 levels of academic achievement, praise Mrs. Ballentine's
5 teaching style, while crediting her dedication and concern as
6 a catalyst for their success in life; and

7 WHEREAS, a gifted and resourceful teacher such as
8 Mrs. Ballentine is a valuable asset to our education system,
9 and she is indeed deserving of highest commendation; now
10 therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Rhonda Ballentine is honored
13 and commended for her service and commitment to education in
14 this state, and this resolution is offered in highest tribute
15 to her with best wishes for future endeavors.