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3 By Representatives Merrill, Poole, England, McCampbell,  
4 Harper, Baughn and Boman  
5 RFD: Rules  
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8 COMMENDING DR. FRANK P. COSTANZO, FOR PROFESSIONAL  
9 ACHIEVEMENT AND DEDICATED SERVICE.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Dr.  
12 Frank P. Costanzo is recognized for his distinguished service  
13 to education and the State of Alabama over the span of 39  
14 years; and

15 WHEREAS, he is retiring, effective March 1, 2012, as  
16 Tuscaloosa County Schools Superintendent, a position he has  
17 held for eight of his 25 years with the Tuscaloosa County  
18 system, having embarked upon his exemplary career in education  
19 in 1973 as a bus driver, teacher, and coach in the Shelby  
20 County School System; he also served as headmaster of Southern  
21 Academy in Greensboro (1975-1982) and Warrior Academy in Eutaw  
22 (1982-1987); and

23 WHEREAS, under his leadership as superintendent, the  
24 system successfully attained its first District Accreditation,  
25 completed the largest capital campaign ever undertaken by the  
26 system, survived four years of proration, and responded to the  
27 needs incurred with the devastating tornado outbreak of April

1 2011; during his tenure, he was instrumental in building six  
2 schools and rebuilding five others; and

3 WHEREAS, among his recognitions, he was named 2006  
4 Superintendent of the Year by Alabama Community Education; and

5 WHEREAS, a 1995 Leadership Tuscaloosa Graduate, he  
6 has also been active in community organizations and worthy  
7 causes, including the Chamber of Commerce of West Alabama,  
8 United Way of West Alabama, Board of Directors of Junior  
9 Achievement, and Economic Leadership Development Committee,  
10 among others; Dr. Costanzo is a deacon of Taylorville Baptist  
11 Church; he is married to Teresa Costanzo and has two sons,  
12 Bradley Costanzo and Ryan Costanzo; and

13 WHEREAS, through the years, he has earned respect  
14 for his exceptional abilities, selfless service, and  
15 unwavering commitment to the ideals of education; although his  
16 presence will be greatly missed, his legacy will endure; now  
17 therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
19 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That on the occasion of his  
20 retirement and in recognition of his distinguished career,  
21 highest commendation is herein extended to Dr. Frank P.  
22 Costanzo, for whom a copy of this resolution is provided as  
23 evidence of our esteem and appreciation, along with best  
24 wishes in all future endeavors.