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3 By Representatives Kennedy, Mitchell, Buskey and Bracy  
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ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,  
NAMING THE STREETS WITHIN THE BISHOP STATE COMMUNITY  
COLLEGE IN HONOR OF INDIVIDUALS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE GROWTH  
AND MISSION OF THE COLLEGE.

WHEREAS, founded in the summer of 1927, Bishop State  
Community College was originally the Mobile Branch of Alabama  
State College (University) in Montgomery, Alabama. It was  
established as an in-service arm of Alabama State College that  
offered extension courses to African-American elementary and  
secondary teachers in Mobile; and

WHEREAS, on February 23, 1989, the Alabama State  
Board of Education renamed the college to Bishop State  
Community College to reflect its growth in vocational/career  
offerings, transfer offerings and community service  
activities; on August 22, 1991, the Alabama State Board of  
Education consolidated two technical colleges in Mobile -  
Southwest State Technical College and Carver State Technical  
College - with Bishop State Community College; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, the college added a fourth campus  
with the opening of its Baker-Gaines Central Campus, formerly  
the historic Central High School; the facility now houses the  
Division of Health Related Professions; in addition, it

1 includes a museum, child care center, 1,200-seat auditorium,  
2 multimedia center, cafeteria facilities and a bookstore; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Raymond L. Bailey, Dr. Charles  
4 Blackledge, Ms. Hattie G. Clark, Mr. William J. Hearin, Dr.  
5 Charles J. Henson, Mr. William Kaufman, Ms. Pearl Madison, Mr.  
6 Frank Miller, Dr. J. Christopher Mitchell, and Irmatean Y.  
7 Watson contributed to the growth of the college; and

8 WHEREAS, it is fitting to honor those individuals;  
9 now therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
11 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we recognize and honor Mr.  
12 Raymond L. Bailey, Dr. Charles Blackledge, Ms. Hattie G.  
13 Clark, Mr. William J. Hearin, Dr. Charles J. Henson, Mr.  
14 William Kaufman, Ms. Pearl Madison, Mr. Frank Miller, and Dr.  
15 J. Christopher Mitchell, and Irmatean Y. Watson by naming the  
16 streets in the Bishop State Community College for and in honor  
17 of those individuals.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this  
19 resolution be provided to each member of the Alabama State  
20 Board of Education and to James Lowe, Jr., President of Bishop  
21 State Community College.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Bishop State Community  
23 College is hereby directed to erect appropriate signage.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in  
and was adopted by the House 09-MAY-12.

Greg Pappas  
Clerk

Senate

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