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3 By Representative Drake  
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8 COMMENDING DR. CARL MARBURY ON BEING NAMED LEEDS  
9 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with great pride and pleasure that we  
12 extend commendations and congratulations to Dr. Carl Marbury  
13 on being named Citizen of the Year by The City of Leeds,  
14 Alabama; and

15 WHEREAS, born and reared in Leeds, Carl Marbury is  
16 energetic in his practice of public service and completely  
17 devoted to his community; he holds degrees from Alabama A&M  
18 University, Oberlin College, Vanderbilt University, and  
19 Harvard University; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Marbury has served as professor at  
21 Alabama A&M University, Garrett-Evangelical Theological  
22 Seminary at Northwestern University, Stillman College,  
23 Tuskegee University, and Alabama State University; he also  
24 served as President of Alabama A&M University; following his  
25 professional career, he chose to return to his hometown of  
26 Leeds for retirement, where he serves several organizations

1 and community groups and volunteers generously for the good of  
2 the community; and

3 WHEREAS, his extensive contributions to community  
4 development include serving in leadership roles on numerous  
5 entities, including the Commercial Development Authority,  
6 Leeds Public Education Building Authority, Leeds Historical  
7 Society, Jefferson County Historical Commission, Greater  
8 Birmingham Habitat for Humanity, Alabama SEEDCO Policy  
9 Advisory Board, Master Planning Committees, Leadership Leeds,  
10 and the School Facilities Planning Committee; and

11 WHEREAS, among Dr. Marbury's numerous  
12 accomplishments, he established the Leeds Learning Center, a  
13 tutoring and mentoring program for at-risk students; he worked  
14 with community efforts to build a new middle school and high  
15 school; he led community efforts to upgrade and renovate the  
16 old middle school to open the Moton Center, a new civic,  
17 educational, recreational, and multipurpose community center;  
18 and he is chief planner of the new Leeds Holistic Health  
19 Center project; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Marbury has a vision of hope and  
21 potential for the City of Leeds and uses his skills and  
22 intellect to lead others with persistent optimism in  
23 developing the community; and

24 WHEREAS, a man of keen intellect and unquestioned  
25 integrity, Dr. Marbury tirelessly dedicates himself to the  
26 betterment of the City of Leeds; an exemplary citizen, Dr.

1 Marbury gives generously of his time and talents to his  
2 community; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
4 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Dr. Carl Marbury is honored  
5 and commended for his outstanding record of achievement and  
6 public service, and this resolution is offered in highest  
7 tribute to him along with heartiest congratulations on being  
8 named Citizen of the Year by The City of Leeds, Alabama.