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3 By Representative Drake
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8 RECOGNIZING MAJOR GENERAL P.D. BROWN.

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10 WHEREAS, Major General P.D. Brown will, upon his
11 retirement from the Alabama Air National Guard, complete over
12 37 years of Military Service in both the U.S. Air Force
13 (1974-1981) and the Alabama Air National Guard (1981-present);
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15 WHEREAS, he has flown more than 7,500 flight hours
16 as a command pilot in the following aircraft: CT-39A, KC-135R,
17 RF-4C, T-37, and T-38; upon completion of Air Force ROTC at
18 the University of Alabama, he began his career in the United
19 States Air Force as an instructor pilot at Craig Air Force
20 Base, Alabama; he then transitioned to Maxwell AFB, Alabama as
21 pilot with the 1402nd Military Airlift Squadron; in March
22 1981, General Brown transferred to the Alabama Air National
23 Guard as an RF-4C pilot with the 117th Tactical Reconnaissance
24 Wing in Birmingham, Alabama; and

25 WHEREAS, at the 117th, General Brown held numerous
26 leadership positions including Wing Commander; during his
27 service at the 117th, General Brown helped lead the transition

1 of the unit from RF-4C to KC-135R aircraft; additionally,
2 Major General Brown commanded the unit's response to the
3 terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; these missions
4 continued to support military action both at home and abroad
5 during Operations Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom, and Iraqi
6 Freedom; and

7 WHEREAS, General Brown was also the commander during
8 the Base Realignment Closure Commission in 2005 and
9 successfully preserved the mission of the 117th; and

10 WHEREAS, General Brown culminates his distinguished
11 military career where he serves as the Commander of the
12 Alabama Air National Guard and has continuously supported
13 mission accomplishment for the 117th Air Refueling Wing, the
14 187th Fighter Wing, the 226th Combat Communications Group, and
15 all elements of the Alabama Air National Guard; and

16 WHEREAS, General Brown is very active in community
17 events and civic projects in the Birmingham area and
18 exemplifies the citizen-airman who makes the Alabama Air
19 National Guard the best in the country; now therefore,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
21 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Major General P.D. Brown is
22 highly honored and commended for his distinguished career, and
23 by copy of this resolution, we extend admiration and
24 appreciation, along with best wishes for his well-deserved
25 retirement.