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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Patterson, Ball, Johnson (W),  
4 Williams (P), McCutcheon and Hall  
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8 COMMENDING JOE H. RITCH.

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10 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations  
11 are herein proudly presented to Joe H. Ritch, of Huntsville,  
12 Alabama, on his outstanding achievement of becoming a member  
13 of the Tennessee Valley Authority Board of Directors; and

14 WHEREAS, notably he is only the second Alabamian to  
15 attain the honor; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Ritch has contributed exceptional  
17 direction as an attorney at Sirote Permutt PC, since 1982; he  
18 is active in Huntsville economic development work and is the  
19 longtime chairman of the Tennessee Valley BRAC Committee;  
20 under his expert guidance and leadership, the BRAC committee  
21 successfully marketed Huntsville and North Alabama as a good  
22 destination for military commands shifted around under the  
23 Base Realignment and Closure Commission's 2005 and 1995 moves;  
24 and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Ritch has also served esteemed entities  
26 including the Tennessee Valley Growth Coordination Group, The  
27 University of Alabama Board of Trustees, Appleton Learning,

1 Axiometrics, and the Von Braun Center for Innovative Science;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, he received a Bachelor of Science degree  
4 from the University of Alabama in Huntsville, a law degree  
5 from Samford University, and a postgraduate law degree in  
6 taxation from New York University; and

7 WHEREAS, throughout the years, Mr. Ritch has earned  
8 immense respect for his tireless dedication and exceptional  
9 abilities, and his outstanding record of achievement is  
10 indicative of the excellence he will attain in his new role;  
11 now therefore,

12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
13 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Mr. Joe H. Ritch is highly  
14 honored and commended, and this certificate is offered to him  
15 in heartiest congratulations, as well as in deepest admiration  
16 and appreciation, along with sincere best wishes for continued  
17 success in all future endeavors.