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3 By Representatives Morrow, Black, Burdine and Greer
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8 COMMENDING RICK HALL ON RECEIVING THE RECORDING
9 ACADEMY'S TRUSTEE AWARD.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Rick
12 Hall, founder of Florence Alabama Music Enterprises (FAME)
13 Recording Studios, is congratulated on being selected to
14 receive the Recording Academy's Trustees Award, a prestigious
15 national honor that recognizes notable contributions in
16 recording outside of performance; and

17 WHEREAS, the award was scheduled for presentation on
18 January 25, 2014, in ceremonies held in conjunction with the
19 56th Annual Grammy Awards; and

20 WHEREAS, Rick Hall was one of only three winners of
21 the Recording Academy's Trustees Award: "Their legacies are
22 timeless and legendary, and their creativity will continue to
23 influence and inspire future generations"; and

24 WHEREAS, Rick Hall opened FAME in 1961 and has
25 presided over the only studio and publishing company to remain
26 in continuous operation from the Muscle Shoals music heyday;
27 he was honored by the Americana Music Association with its

1 Lifetime Achievement Award for music executives in 2011 and
2 his achievements continue to bring national acclaim to the
3 Shoals; and

4 WHEREAS, his studio is credited with being one of
5 the most significant training grounds for musicians and
6 songwriters in the world; and

7 WHEREAS, many musicians attribute their successful
8 careers to Rick Hall, who has long been known as a demanding
9 taskmaster with extraordinary talent and unerring judgment;
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11 WHEREAS, Rick Hall was prominently featured in the
12 documentary "Muscle Shoals" that debuted to rave reviews in
13 the renowned Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah, in
14 February 2013, thereby reflecting renewed honor upon the
15 entire State of Alabama and our musical heritage; and

16 WHEREAS, through the years, Rick Hall has earned
17 respect for his exceptional abilities and tireless dedication,
18 and he is truly deserving of the accolades bestowed upon him;
19 now therefore,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
21 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That it is a great pleasure to
22 commend Rick Hall of the Florence Alabama Music Enterprises
23 (FAME) Recording Studios, and this resolution is offered with
24 heartiest congratulations to him on being selected to receive
25 the Recording Academy's Trustees Award and with best wishes
26 for continuing success in future endeavors.