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3 By Representative Boothe
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8 COMMENDING DR. JOHN M. LONG FOR DISTINGUISHED
9 SERVICE TO ALABAMA.

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11 WHEREAS, Dr. John M. Long, Distinguished Professor
12 Emeritus of Music at Troy University, has been since 1965 an
13 exemplary citizen of Troy, Alabama; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Long has contributed immeasurably over
15 the past half century to the life and prosperity of the City
16 of Troy as the founding director of the "Sound of the South"
17 Marching Band, which has earned international acclaim; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Long, as Director of Bands, Dean of the
19 College of Arts and Sciences, and Dean of the School of Fine
20 Arts at Troy University, has on numerous occasions placed the
21 State of Alabama prominently and favorably in the national
22 spotlight; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. Long has received worldwide recognition
24 for his leadership of the National Band Association, the
25 largest band organization in the world, and is a member of its
26 Hall of Fame of Distinguished Conductors, housed on the Troy

1 Campus and the only national hall of fame located in the State
2 of Alabama; and

3 WHEREAS, Troy University has honored Dr. Long's
4 distinguished career through the construction of a "new" John
5 M. Long Hall on the Troy Campus to replace the original John
6 M. Long Hall constructed in 1976 and will dedicate this
7 building formally with a ceremony March 28, 2014; now
8 therefore,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
10 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Dr. John M. Long is commended
11 and thanked for his service to Troy University, the Great
12 State of Alabama, and to the international marching band
13 community, and it is directed that he receive a copy of this
14 resolution as evidence of our appreciation and admiration.