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3 By Representatives McCutcheon, Baker, Ball, Bandy, Baughn,  
4 Beckman, Beech, Black, Boman, Boothe, Boyd, Bracy, Bridges,  
5 Brown, Burdine, Buskey, Butler, Buttram, Carns, Chesteen,  
6 Clarke, Clouse, Coleman-Evans, Collins, Colston, Davis,  
7 DeMarco, Drake, England, Farley, Faust, Fincher, Ford, Forte,  
8 Gaston, Givan, Greer, Greeson, Grimsley, Hall, Hammon, Harper,  
9 Henry, Hill, Holmes (A), Holmes (M), Howard, Hubbard (J),  
10 Hubbard (M), Hurst, Ison, Jackson, Johnson (A), Johnson (K),  
11 Johnson (R), Johnson (W), Jones, Knight, Laird, Lee, Lindsey,  
12 Long, McAdory, McCampbell, McClammy, McClendon, McClurkin,  
13 McMillan, Melton, Merrill, Millican, Moore (B), Moore (M),  
14 Morrow, Newton, Nordgren, Patterson, Payne, Polizos, Poole,  
15 Rich, Roberts, Robinson (J), Robinson (O), Rogers, Sanderford,  
16 Scott, Sessions, Shedd, Shiver, Standridge, Todd, Treadaway,  
17 Tuggle, Vance, Wallace, Warren, Weaver, Wilcox, Williams (D),  
18 Williams (J), Williams (P) and Wood  
19 RFD:  
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8 COMMENDING REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH MITCHELL FOR  
9 DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that  
12 Representative Joseph Mitchell is recognized for his longtime  
13 service to the people of the State of Alabama; and

14 WHEREAS, he was been a member of the House since  
15 1994, representing the people of House District 103 in Mobile  
16 County and earning respect from colleagues as well as  
17 constituents; and

18 WHEREAS, Representative Mitchell earned his B.A.  
19 Degree from Morehouse College, M.A. from the University of  
20 South Alabama, C.A.S.E. from the University of Alabama at  
21 Birmingham, and Ph.D. from Texas A and M University; his  
22 professional career is highlighted by service as Research  
23 Consultant, Industrial Engineering and Education Policy; and

24 WHEREAS, he and his wife, Janetta Whitt-Mitchell,  
25 are valued members of the community; and

26 WHEREAS, a member of the Metropolitan A.M.E. Church,  
27 he has been active in numerous organizations such as the

1 National Coalition of 100 Black Women; American Federation of  
2 Musicians, Local 777 AFL-CIO; National Flute Association, and  
3 International Association of Jazz Educators; in addition, he  
4 holds the distinction of being Band Leader, "Suite A-Jazz  
5 Configuration"; and

6 WHEREAS, a committed and effective public servant,  
7 he has served with exceptional capability through the years on  
8 House and Joint Committees including: Constitution and  
9 Elections; Chair, Campaign Finance Subcommittee; Education  
10 Policy; Chair, Colleges and Universities Subcommittee;  
11 Internal Affairs; Mobile County Legislation; Joint  
12 House-Senate Sunset Committee; and Joint Committee on  
13 Automation; and

14 WHEREAS, Representative Mitchell has worked  
15 tirelessly to improve the lives of all Alabamians, and his  
16 decision not to seek reelection in 2014 is acknowledged with  
17 deep regret by his friends and fellow members of the House of  
18 Representatives; now therefore,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
20 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we hereby most highly commend  
21 Representative Joseph Mitchell for his meritorious service,  
22 and it is directed that a copy of this resolution be presented  
23 to him in admiration and appreciation, along with best wishes  
24 for success and happiness in all future endeavors.