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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, Millican, Mitchell, 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:
20 First Read: 02-APR-14

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8 COMMENDING REPRESENTATIVE JOHN MERRILL FOR DEDICATED
9 PUBLIC SERVICE.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that
12 Representative John Merrill is recognized for his service to
13 the people of the State of Alabama in the House of
14 Representatives, having been elected in 2010 to serve House
15 District 62; and

16 WHEREAS, Representative Merrill obtained his BA in
17 History and Political Science from the University of Alabama
18 and is a spokesperson for the Tuscaloosa County School System;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, he has served in numerous leadership roles
21 including: Past President of the Student Government
22 Association at the University of Alabama; member and past
23 chair of the Tuscaloosa County Republican Executive Committee;
24 Southeast Vice President of the National School Public
25 Relations Association; chair of the Alabama Department of
26 Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board; Chair of the Alabama

1 Leadership Prayer Breakfast; and Secretary-Treasurer of the
2 West Alabama Literacy Council; and

3 WHEREAS, a deacon of the Calvary Baptist Church,
4 Representative Merrill is an Eagle Scout; a member of the
5 Chamber of Commerce of West Alabama; and has received numerous
6 awards including: The 2007 Golden Apple Award, Tuscaloosa
7 Business and Professional Women; 2005 Communicator of the
8 Year, Alabama School Communications Association; and 2008
9 Outstanding Benefactor Award, Alabama Community Education
10 Association; he is married to Cindy and they have two
11 children, Brooks, and Allie Grace; and

12 WHEREAS, a dedicated public servant, Representative
13 Merrill has served with exceptional capability on many House
14 committees; and

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

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