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8 COMMENDING COACH RICHARD BEVERLY FOR HIS SUCCESSFUL
9 CAREER AND LIFETIME DEDICATION TO YOUTH ATHLETICS AND
10 EDUCATION.

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12 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Coach
13 Richard Beverly is recognized for his outstanding
14 accomplishments and longtime dedicated service to athletics
15 and to the youth of the State of Alabama; and

16 WHEREAS, his contributions to education and to
17 coaching were significant and far-reaching during an eminently
18 successful career; and

19 WHEREAS, he became the Head Football Coach at Clay
20 County High School in 1967, and over the next 22 years led the
21 Panthers to a 247-76-4 record and five State Playoff
22 Appearances; and

23 WHEREAS, during his tenure, Clay County High School
24 teams finished with a winning record in all but three seasons;
25 and

1 WHEREAS, he was consistently able to field superior
2 teams and achieve maximum results, often with a limited number
3 of athletes in the program; and

4 WHEREAS, his honorable character and his concern for
5 his student-athletes stood above all else; and

6 WHEREAS, he exemplifies the finest qualities of a
7 coach and educator, influencing countless young people and
8 setting them on paths to success in many realms of endeavor;
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10 WHEREAS, among his accomplishments, he inspired more
11 than 16 former players to become coaches, including his son,
12 who is now the Junior High Coach at Smiths Station; and

13 WHEREAS, beyond his football expertise, he taught
14 life lessons and instilled the values of sportsmanship,
15 perseverance, and teamwork; and

16 WHEREAS, through the years, he has earned respect
17 for his exceptional abilities and tireless dedication to the
18 pursuit of excellence, and he is truly deserving of special
19 recognition among the greatest sports icons in the Hall of
20 Fame; now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
22 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That it is a privilege to honor and
23 commend Coach Richard Beverly for his lifetime of
24 contributions to education and youth athletics in the State of
25 Alabama, and this resolution is offered in highest tribute and
26 deepest gratitude to him.