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3 By Senator Orr
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8 COMMENDING DR. DONALD ELLIS WILLIAMSON FOR
9 OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly
12 presented to Dr. Donald Ellis Williamson for outstanding
13 professional achievement; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Williamson has contributed expert
15 guidance and leadership as State Health Officer of the Alabama
16 Department of Public Health since 1992; and

17 WHEREAS, over the course of his distinguished
18 career, he has also served as Director of the Bureau of
19 Preventive Health Services, Director of the Division of
20 Disease Control, and State Tuberculosis Control Officer at the
21 Mississippi State Department of Health; and

22 WHEREAS, on the national level, Dr. Williamson has
23 served as a member of the Executive Committee of the
24 Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, as
25 President of the Association of State and Territorial Health
26 Officials, as a member of the National Vaccine Advisory

1 Committee, as a member for the Board of Directors of the
2 Public Health Foundation, and as a member of the Steering
3 Committee on Access for the Uninsured of the National Academy
4 for State Health Policy; he has also served in a number of
5 boards and commissions for the state level; and

6 WHEREAS, he has received numerous awards including
7 the 2000 Arthur T. McCormack Award from the Association of
8 State and Territorial Health Officials, the 1999 Theodore R.
9 Ervin Award from the Public Health Foundation, the 1999 Child
10 Health Advocate Award from the American Academy of Pediatrics,
11 the 1997 D.G. Gill Award from the Alabama Public Health
12 Association for Outstanding Contribution to Public Health in
13 Alabama, and the 1998 Internist of the Year Award from the
14 Alabama Society of Internal Medicine; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Williamson graduated cum laude from the
16 University of Mississippi, School of Medicine in 1979; he
17 completed a residency in internal medicine at the University
18 of Virginia Hospital in 1982 and is board certified in that
19 speciality; and

20 WHEREAS, through the years, Dr. Williamson has
21 earned immense respect for his tireless dedication and
22 exceptional abilities, and he is truly deserving of special
23 recognition; now therefore,

24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
25 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Dr. Donald E. Williamson is
26 highly honored and commended, and this resolution is offered

1 to him in deepest admiration and appreciation, along with
2 sincere best wishes for the future.