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3 By Representative Shiver  
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8 COMMENDING BISHOP RICHARD RILEY, JR., FOR HIS  
9 SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Bishop  
12 Richard Riley, Jr., is recognized for his outstanding service  
13 to the community; and

14 WHEREAS, Bishop Riley and his wife of 49 years,  
15 Elder Donna B. Riley, began their service to the Lord's  
16 ministry in Fairhope, Alabama, while working full-time jobs  
17 and rearing seven children; and

18 WHEREAS, from 1970 to 1990 he assisted many  
19 established ministries as an assistant pastor, and in 1990  
20 Bishop Riley began a ministry of his own in Bay Minette within  
21 the Revelation Pentecostal Holiness Church; after building a  
22 beautiful sanctuary he implemented ministries throughout the  
23 community, including weekly intercessory prayer meetings, the  
24 Saint's Charity, nursing home visits and home prayers, funeral  
25 assistance to the financially needy, assistance in opening  
26 facilities for smaller ministries through the community,  
27 providing work to local community college students, donating

1 financial assistance for high school graduates to attend  
2 college, and conducting many weddings, funerals, baptisms, and  
3 christenings over the years; and

4 WHEREAS, in 1997, Bishop Riley and his wife moved to  
5 Bay Minette so they could be a part of the community in which  
6 he ministered; Elder Riley retired as a registered nurse in  
7 2005 and Bishop Riley retired as a local truck driver in 2007  
8 so they could both accept the duties of ministry on a  
9 full-time basis; and

10 WHEREAS, Bishop Riley is a faithful and loving  
11 husband, father, and man of God, encouraging all seven of his  
12 children to be faithful in the ministry of the Lord; he and  
13 his wife have 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; and

14 WHEREAS, under the anointed spirit of God Bishop  
15 Riley has been an outstanding citizen, a cherished father, and  
16 a humble servant to his community; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That highest honor and commendation  
19 are extended to Bishop Richard Riley, Jr., and we direct that  
20 a copy of this resolution of tribute be provided to him with  
21 our best wishes in all future worthy endeavors.