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ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

HONORING DR. WILLIAM DEAN ON RECEIVING THE TITLE OF PASTOR EMERITUS AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SYLACAUGA, ALABAMA.

WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly presented to Dr. William Dean on receiving the title of Pastor Emeritus at First Baptist Church of Sylacauga, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dean provided First Baptist Church with holy counsel as Senior Pastor from October 1972 until December 1994; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished 22-year pastorate, First Baptist Church increased its membership and faculties were expanded, culminating in the building of the Christian Life Center in 1988; and

WHEREAS, he further contributed to the advancement of the Kingdom of God through his faithful and dedicated service to numerous boards and commissions in the Southern Baptist Convention, the Alabama Baptist State Convention, and the Coosa River Baptist Association; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dean has continued to render his service as a member of the First Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, notably, the members of First Baptist Church will bestow on him the title of Pastor Emeritus on a

1 glorious day of rejoicing, August 23, 2015, during the 11:00
2 a.m. service; and

3 WHEREAS, in addition, the Fellowship Hall will be
4 named in his honor; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Dean, born in Mobile, Alabama, and
6 reared in Brewton, Alabama, received his Bachelor of Arts
7 Degree from Howard College, his Master of Divinity Degree from
8 Southwestern Seminary, and his honorary Doctor of Divinity
9 Degree from Mobile College; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. William Dean will continue to bless the
11 congregation of First Baptist Church as Pastor Emeritus for
12 years to come; now therefore,

13 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
14 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Dr. William Dean is highly
15 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered to him
16 in deepest admiration and appreciation, along with sincere
17 best wishes for continued blessings.

