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3 By Representative Jones  
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8 COMMENDING WILLIAM Z. MESSER FOR OUTSTANDING  
9 PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly  
12 presented to William Z. "Bill" Messer for outstanding  
13 professional achievement; and

14 WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate to recognize  
15 a remarkable individual such as William Z. Messer who has  
16 upheld the highest ideals of the judicial system and exhibited  
17 exemplary conduct, integrity, and work ethic while practicing  
18 law; his admirable traits and legal accomplishments are a  
19 tremendous source of credit to the entire State of Alabama;  
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Messer earned his Bachelor of Arts  
22 Degree in Economics and Religion from Swarthmore College and  
23 his Juris Doctorate from Duke University School of Law before  
24 embarking upon his distinguished legal career in 1982; a  
25 distinguished law student, Mr. Messer earned the Bunyon S.  
26 Womble full tuition academic scholarship and International

1 Academy of Trial Lawyers student advocacy prize and was  
2 appointed to Duke Law School Dean's Advisory Council; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Messer has previously served as  
4 litigation director of the statewide legal services program  
5 and is licensed to practice law in both Alabama and Georgia,  
6 including all Alabama federal district courts, the United  
7 States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and the  
8 United States Supreme Court; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Messer served as a partner of Varley  
10 and Messer, L.L.P., since April 1998 and contributed  
11 extraordinary direction as Judiciary Analyst since 2008; and

12 WHEREAS, through the years, William Z. Messer has  
13 earned widespread respect for his tireless dedication and  
14 exceptional abilities, and he is indeed, truly deserving of  
15 special recognition for his invaluable service; now therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
17 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That William Z. Messer is highly  
18 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered to him  
19 in deepest admiration and appreciation, along with sincere  
20 best wishes for the future.