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3 By Representative Coleman  
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8 RECOGNIZING REGINA CARR-HOPE FOR HER EXEMPLARY  
9 CAREER IN EDUCATION AND SUPPORT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY AND THE  
10 BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY.

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12 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly  
13 presented to Regina Carr-Hope for her exemplary career in  
14 education and support of Jefferson County and the Birmingham  
15 community; and

16 WHEREAS, a native of Ensley, Alabama, and a 1968  
17 graduate of Western Olin-High School, Mrs. Carr-Hope earned  
18 her Educational Specialist Degree in Educational Leadership  
19 from Alabama State University after serving 13 years as a  
20 probation officer; driven by a passion to create learning  
21 communities that fostered academic excellence, she has  
22 cultivated a dynamic career in Educational Leadership; and

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Carr-Hope entered her first Assistant  
24 Principal position at Parker High School; while serving in  
25 this capacity, Mrs. Carr-Hope faced one of the most  
26 devastating blows of her life when her youngest child, Mr.

1 Jackstin Hunter was murdered in 2001; Mrs. Carr-Hope nobly  
2 used her painful loss as a means to gain awareness for the  
3 social issue of gang violence; and

4 WHEREAS, in 2003, Mrs. Carr-Hope organized the  
5 widely anticipated Unity Breakfast, to bring educational  
6 stakeholders, state dignities, parents, and community leaders  
7 together for fellowship and to promote unity and harmony for  
8 all; she has continued to chair this annual event over the  
9 years; and

10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Carr-Hope was promoted to Principal of  
11 Glen Middle School before accepting her current position as  
12 Principal of Wenonah High School; her evident love for  
13 children and advocacy of social equality served as the driving  
14 force to transform Wenonah High School from a school that  
15 previously received negative publicity to a academic leader in  
16 math and science education recognized for its outstanding  
17 offerings such as a Robotics Program, Oratorical Team,  
18 FFCLA/DECA clubs, and its Academy of Hospitality and Tourism;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, under her leadership, Wenonah High School  
21 partnered with Mountain Brook High School for the Heritage  
22 Panel to provide students the opportunity to discuss ways to  
23 make their schools more inclusive environments and address  
24 social issues such as phobias, racism, and biases; as a result  
25 of her example, Wenonah High School has gained a reputation as  
26 "The School with a BIG Heart," and has generated thousands of

1 dollars in support of The Breast Cancer Foundation, The United  
2 Way of Central Alabama, The Make a Wish Foundation, United  
3 Negro College Fund, The Cancer Foundation, and the Haiti  
4 Relief Efforts; and

5 WHEREAS, notably, Mrs. Carr-Hope was recognized as  
6 one of Birmingham's Top 40 Influential Women in 2012; she  
7 possesses a tremendous heart for community service and  
8 philanthropy and the understanding that we must produce  
9 citizens who are willing to invest in their communities; Mrs.  
10 Carr-Hope believes that the AEO model of leadership,  
11 Academics, Extracurricular, and Opportunity, develops students  
12 into well-rounded citizens; and

13 WHEREAS, through the years, Mrs. Carr-Hope has  
14 earned immense respect for her tireless dedication and  
15 exceptional abilities; her record of excellence and standing  
16 as an academic leader who has set the bar high for school  
17 administrators and education in the great State of Alabama and  
18 beyond is a tremendous source of credit, and she is truly  
19 deserving of special recognition; now therefore,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
21 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Regina Carr-Hope is highly  
22 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered to her  
23 in deepest admiration and appreciation, along with sincere  
24 best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.