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3 By Senators Beasley, Albritton, Allen, Blackwell, Brewbaker,  
4 Bussman, Chambliss, Coleman-Madison, Dial, Dunn, Figures,  
5 Glover, Hightower, Holley, Holtzclaw, Livingston, Marsh,  
6 McClendon, Melson, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Sanders, Sanford,  
7 Scofield, Shelnutt, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Stutts,  
8 Waggoner, Ward, Whatley and Williams  
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10 First Read: 11-JAN-18

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4 ENROLLED, SJR17,

5 RECOGNIZING SENATOR QUINTON ROSS FOR PROFESSIONAL  
6 SERVICE TO THE ALABAMA SENATE.

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8 WHEREAS, it is a tremendous privilege to recognize  
9 Senator Quinton T. Ross, Jr., for his exceptional record of  
10 professional excellence and service to the citizens of Alabama  
11 during his 15 years in the Alabama Senate; and

12 WHEREAS, one of seven African-American members of  
13 the Senate, Senator Ross was the first African-American male  
14 to serve as Senate Minority Leader and he was the first  
15 Minority Leader elected to a four-year term; and

16 WHEREAS, while serving in the Senate, Senator Ross  
17 served on numerous committees including, Banking and  
18 Insurance, Confirmation, County and Municipal Government,  
19 Finance and Taxation, Education, Transportation and Energy,  
20 Military Affairs, and as vice chair of Education Youth  
21 Affairs; and

22 WHEREAS, before his selection as the 15th President  
23 of Alabama State University, Senator Ross was an educator and  
24 administrator and had a profound impact on countless lives  
25 through his selfless service; and

1           WHEREAS, Senator Ross has received numerous awards  
2 for his professional achievements and public service  
3 including: Montgomery Advertiser's 2003 King Spirit Award;  
4 2005 Dare to Make a Difference Award; 2005 Young Legend Award;  
5 2009 Alabama School Board Association's Power of One Award;  
6 2012 Alabama Adult Education Director's Association Champion  
7 Award; 2016 Beloved Community Award presented by Alabama State  
8 University Friends of the Theater; and the 2017 Business  
9 Champion Award for the Business Council of Alabama; and

10           WHEREAS, through the years, Senator Ross has earned  
11 widespread admiration and respect for his tireless dedication  
12 and exceptional abilities; he has set the bar high for  
13 professionalism and service within the Alabama Senate, the  
14 education system, and throughout the state as a public  
15 servant; he is truly deserving of special commendation and  
16 praise; now therefore,

17           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Senator Quinton T. Ross, Jr.,  
19 is highly honored and commended, and this resolution is  
20 offered to him in deepest admiration and appreciation for his  
21 service to the citizens of Alabama, as well as with sincere  
22 best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution  
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives  
Adopted: 16-JAN-18

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By: Senator Beasley