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8 COMMENDING COUNTRY MUSIC ARTIST RONNIE MCDOWELL FOR  
9 HIS SERVICE TO THE CITY OF RUSSELLVILLE, ALABAMA.

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11 WHEREAS, Ronnie McDowell is a well-known country  
12 music singer and songwriter from Tennessee, who has two No. 1  
13 Billboard Hits and 14 Top Ten Billboard Hits; he is a U. S.  
14 Navy veteran who proudly served his country during the Vietnam  
15 War; he has a riveting stage presence and expresses genuine  
16 warmth to his audiences; he tours constantly and has a large  
17 number of fans; and

18 WHEREAS, since 1990, he has performed anxiously  
19 anticipated annual concerts in Russellville, Alabama; his  
20 performances began as a fundraiser to benefit the Russellville  
21 Chamber of Commerce; for 10 years his performances were held  
22 at Russellville High School; in 2001, the concert venue was  
23 changed to Russellville's beloved Historic Roxy Theatre, with  
24 the proceeds of his performances benefitting the Historic Roxy  
25 Theatre Renovation Fund; and

26 WHEREAS, Ronnie McDowell and his band perform in  
27 Russellville because of his love for the city, the Roxy

1 Theatre, and his loyal fans; his shows have raised more than  
2 \$220,000 to benefit the City of Russellville; the fans his  
3 shows bring to the state benefit the economy exponentially  
4 through their purchases, which include lodging, food, and  
5 shopping; now therefore,

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
7 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Mr. Ronnie McDowell be  
8 provided a copy of this resolution as an expression of our  
9 gratitude for his service to the City of Russellville and the  
10 State of Alabama.