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3 By Senators Orr, Melson, Butler, Livingston, Givhan, Stutts,
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8 COMMENDING MRS. NANCY ROBERTSON FOR OUTSTANDING
9 PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
12 are herein proudly presented to Mrs. Nancy Robertson for
13 outstanding professional achievement on the occasion of her
14 retirement as Executive Director of Top of Alabama Regional
15 Council of Governments (TARCOG) after 42 years of dedicated
16 service; and

17 WHEREAS, Mrs. Robertson is a lifelong resident of
18 Huntsville, Alabama, having spent her formative and adult
19 years on Monte Sano Mountain; she earned her Bachelor of
20 Science Degree from The University of Alabama and began her
21 professional career at the Council of Governments in
22 Tuscaloosa, then later at the Department of Senior Services in
23 Montgomery; and

24 WHEREAS, she began her career at TARCOG in 1977;
25 during her employment she worked in various positions in the
26 Area Agency on Aging and in 1984, she began her successful
27 tenure as the Director of Aging Programs, giving direction to

1 services and supports that assist senior citizens in the
2 five-county region; Mrs. Robertson has also represented TARCOG
3 and the elderly population by lending her expertise to
4 multiple local, state, and national boards; she is the only
5 person to serve twice as President of the Southeastern
6 Association of Area Agencies on Aging; she served on the Board
7 of the National Association of Development Organizations and
8 is a graduate of both Leadership Huntsville/Madison County and
9 Leadership Alabama; as the Director of Aging Programs,
10 TARCOG's Aging funds increased from \$1.4M in 1984 to over
11 \$10M; and

12 WHEREAS, in 2013, Mrs. Robertson became the
13 Executive Director of TARCOG and incorporated a successful
14 4-year program to assist seniors post-hospital, which brought
15 the total staff up to 70 people with a current agency budget
16 of over \$14M; she has been involved in economic development
17 for communities in the northeast Alabama region and is
18 currently a leader in Singing River Trail Task Force that is
19 developing a greenway connecting Madison, Limestone, and
20 Morgan Counties; and

21 WHEREAS, Mrs. Robertson and her husband, Kem, a
22 retired engineer with Boeing, have been married for 35 years;
23 they are the proud parents of one daughter who lives in
24 Birmingham, and are joyously awaiting the birth of their first
25 granddaughter in 2019; and

26 WHEREAS, few have matched Mrs. Robertson's
27 commitment to TARCOG, her passion for the elderly, and her

1 leadership abilities in making the Northeast Region of Alabama
2 a place to live and age well; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE LEGISLATURE OF
4 ALABAMA, That on the occasion of her retirement as Executive
5 Director of Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments
6 (TARCOG) and in recognition of her distinguished career,
7 highest commendation is herein conveyed to Mrs. Nancy
8 Robertson, along with sincere best wishes in all future
9 endeavors.