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3 By Representative Hollis  
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8 COMMENDING LATOSHA BROWN FOR PROFESSIONAL  
9 ACHIEVEMENT.

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11 WHEREAS, LaTosha Brown is an award-winning visionary  
12 thought leader, institution builder, cultural civil rights  
13 activist, artist, and connector, serving as a voice for hope,  
14 justice, and equality; and

15 WHEREAS, Ms. Brown is nationally recognized as an  
16 expert in Black voting rights and voter suppression, Black  
17 women's empowerment, and philanthropy; her voice is the nexus  
18 between the Civil Rights Movement, the Black Power Movement,  
19 and the Black Lives Matter Movement; and

20 WHEREAS, Ms. Brown is the co-founder of Black Voters  
21 Matter, the Black Voters Matter Fund, and the Black Voters  
22 Matter Capacity Building Institute; these initiatives are  
23 designed to boost Black voter registration and turnout, as  
24 well as increase power in marginalized, predominantly Black  
25 communities; and

26 WHEREAS, Ms. Brown is the visionary, founder, and  
27 co-anchor of a regional network called the Southern Black

1 Girls and Women's Consortium; this is a \$100 million, 10 year  
2 initiative to invest in organizations that serve Black women  
3 and girls; the goal of the consortium is to create a new  
4 approach to philanthropy by allowing every component of the  
5 program, inception to execution, to be created by Black women  
6 and girls in the South; and

7 WHEREAS, Ms. Brown is the 2020 Hauser Leader at the  
8 Center for Public Leadership at Harvard Kennedy School, the  
9 2020 Leader in Practice at Harvard Kennedy School's Women and  
10 Public Policy Program, and a 2020-2021 American Democracy  
11 fellow at the Charles Warren Center at Harvard; and

12 WHEREAS, Ms. Brown has received numerous awards and  
13 accolades for her work; she has been featured on major  
14 television shows and networks; her writings have been  
15 showcased in major publications; her work has been highlighted  
16 in several docuseries; and she has worked in 23 different  
17 countries; now therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
19 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we take great pride and  
20 pleasure in commending the professional achievements of  
21 LaTosha Brown and her vision exemplified through her work, and  
22 by copy of this resolution we convey our gratitude and highest  
23 esteem, along with our best wishes in all future endeavors.