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3 By Representatives Whitt, Ball, Sanderford, Whorton, Hall,  
4 Daniels, McCutcheon and Reynolds  
5 RFD:  
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COMMENDING SPARKMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR BEING A MODEL PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY AT WORK.

WHEREAS, Sparkman Middle School of Madison County, Alabama, is the first middle school in Alabama and one of only three in the state, as well as, one of about 200 schools and districts in the nation to receive the honor of being recognized by Solution Tree as a Model Professional Learning Community At Work for its sustained success in raising student achievement; and

WHEREAS, this distinct honor is conferred upon schools in which the three big ideas of Professional Learning Community: focus on learning, build a collaborative culture, and create results orientation, are implemented and achieved; and

WHEREAS, Sparkman Middle School achieved this under the expert guidance and leadership of the principal, Jennifer Whitt; schools receiving this distinction are recognized based on strict criteria, including demonstration of a commitment to Project Learning Community concepts, implementation of these

1 concepts for at least three years, and clear evidence of  
2 improved student learning over that period; once measurable  
3 results can be seen, the school must explain its practices,  
4 structures, and culture, and submit its application for  
5 consideration by the Project Learning Community Review  
6 Committee; and

7 WHEREAS, the leadership and educators of Sparkman  
8 Middle School have shown a sustained commitment to helping all  
9 of their students achieve at high levels; they have been  
10 willing to alter the structure and the culture of the  
11 organization to reflect their commitment; we applaud them and  
12 congratulate them for achieving this very significant  
13 milestone; now therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
15 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we take pride and pleasure in  
16 commending Sparkman Middle School for its extraordinary  
17 achievement in being honored as a Model Professional Learning  
18 Community At Work, and by this resolution we convey our  
19 congratulations and our highest esteem to the students,  
20 teachers, staff, administration, parents, and community.