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HR_____ COMMENDING TECHNICAL SERGEANT AMBERS E. HANSON FOR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, with great pride and special pleasure, highest commendations are conveyed to Technical Sergeant Ambers E. Hanson for personal and professional achievements; and

WHEREAS, centenarian Ambers Hanson, born July 31, 1923, has dedicated much of his life to the service of his country and at great personal sacrifice; he interrupted his high school education to serve in World War II and his university education to serve in the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, in 1942, at the age of 19, Mr. Hanson left high school and his family farm in Cleburne County to enlist in the United States Army Air Corp where he was assigned to serve as a radio operator on B-17 and B-24 aircraft running bombing missions overseas; during training, his plane crashed, and he survived; he was stationed in Mendlesham, England, and flew 25 missions before he reached the age of 21 as a member of the "Mighty Eighth" 8th Air Force, 34th Bomb Group, 391st Bomb Squadron; the name of the B-17 he flew on with his crew was "Battlin' Butch"; the crew flew bombing missions in France, Germany, and Czechoslovakia, as well as food drops over Holland; for his service, Technical Sergeant Hanson earned the Air Medal with three oak leaf



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29 clusters, the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal
30 with two bronze stars, and the World War II Victory Medal;
31 and

32 WHEREAS, following the war, Mr. Hanson accomplished
33 the brave goal of returning to high school as an adult; the
34 principal was impressed by his determination and dedication
35 and encouraged him to pursue a college education; he first
36 enrolled at West Georgia College, now part of the University
37 of Georgia, for a year and a half; he then transferred to
38 Auburn University, which was still Alabama Polytechnic
39 Institute, until he was called to serve again; he served one
40 year in the Korean War and returned to Auburn to resume his
41 education and graduated with a degree in agricultural
42 economics in 1952; for 35 years, he continued to serve
43 others with the Soil Conservation Service combating soil
44 erosion and supporting farmers across the nation; and

45 WHEREAS, Ambers Hanson's life story is a testament to
46 resilience, the pursuit of knowledge, and a commitment to
47 serving others; now therefore,

48 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
49 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Representatives Robertson and
50 Lovvorn extend highest commendations to United States
51 Veteran, Ambers E. Hanson, for his many personal and
52 professional accomplishments that he pursued in service to
53 his country, both in combat and as a civilian; this
54 resolution is offered to him as evidence of that regard with
55 best wishes for continued prosperity.