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3 By Representative Mooney
4 RFD: RULES
5 First Read: 04-Feb-25



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 HJR_____ COMMENDING MARTIN FRANKLIN CASKEY FOR PROFESSIONAL
4 ACHIEVEMENT AND DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE.

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6 WHEREAS, highest commendation is herein conveyed to
7 Martin Franklin Caskey in recognition of his exemplary
8 record of achievement and service to the Alabama Legislature
9 and the citizens of the State of Alabama during a
10 distinguished professional career with the Legislative
11 Services Agency, formerly the Legislative Reference Service;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Frank Caskey began his legislative career in
14 1970 when, while still a senior at Lanier High School, he
15 worked as a clerk for Senator James B. Allen in Washington,
16 D.C.; he continued the clerkship while he was a freshman at
17 the University of Maryland; and

18 WHEREAS, Frank Caskey continued his higher education
19 at Auburn University where he worked in a cooperative
20 education program as a legislative aide with the Alabama
21 Legislature; he graduated with a Bachelor of Science in
22 Accounting in 1974, earning membership in the prestigious
23 honor society of Phi Kappa Phi; and

24 WHEREAS, commencing in June 1974 until December 1979,
25 Frank worked as a legislative analyst with the Alabama
26 Legislative Reference Service; he joined other attorneys in
27 the historic State Capitol building, drafting and
28 researching for this august body in a single large room with



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29 desks abutting and multiple conversations transpiring; he
30 continued this work while working toward his Juris Doctor,
31 which he earned from The University of Alabama in 1978; and

32 WHEREAS, taking a break from the legislative arena,
33 Frank pursued a successful private practice from 1980
34 through 1987; he then joined and worked as an attorney with
35 the law firm of Capouano, Wampold, Prestwood and Sansone in
36 1988; beginning in 1990, he briefly served as legal counsel
37 for the Alabama State Employees Association before returning
38 to the legislative work he truly loved at the State House;
39 and

40 WHEREAS, Frank returned to the Legislative Reference
41 Service in 1992, bringing a much-needed knowledge of private
42 practice and court room experience to the agency; he
43 utilized his expertise to provide a perspective that
44 differed from his colleagues, offering a diverse skill set
45 and sense of balance to the drafting team; through the
46 years, he has made valued contributions to the legislative
47 process and public administration; his practical and
48 analytical approach to complex legal and constitutional
49 issues, coupled with his legal knowledge and vast experience
50 in all facets of state and local government, has been an
51 instrumental component in his immeasurable success as a
52 respected advisor to members and others in the legislative
53 community and beyond; and

54 WHEREAS, throughout his employment with the
55 Legislative Services Agency, he has developed expertise
56 across the broad spectrum of lawmaking; his areas of robust



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57 knowledge include local laws, administrative procedure,
58 conservation and natural resources, taxation, economic and
59 industrial development, reapportionment, environmental law,
60 and constitutional and legislative issues, just to name a
61 few; Frank's bright and far-ranging field of enlightenment
62 is evident by the vast number of existing statutes crafted
63 by his measured hand; and

64 WHEREAS, in addition to his work with the
65 Legislature, Frank served as an adjunct professor teaching
66 administrative law at the Jones School of Law and The
67 University of Alabama School of Law for over 20 years; even
68 when his tenure as a teacher ended, he continued to provide
69 vital mentorship and support for students and young
70 attorneys; and

71 WHEREAS, a steadfast presence to his colleagues in
72 the midst of legislative chaos, coworkers who have shared
73 the back halls of the birthplace of legislation with Frank
74 will forever appreciate his innate ability to remember
75 previous legislation, by date and member, all while
76 articulately spinning an original solution to a troubling
77 legal problem; his institutional knowledge of the
78 Legislature is unmatched; his counsel is highly regarded by
79 legislators, lobbyists, and fellow attorneys alike; and

80 WHEREAS, Frank Caskey unquestionably represents
81 excellence, intelligence, and unwavering commitment to the
82 duties he professionally and proficiently performed on a
83 daily basis; his abilities, vast knowledge, memory, tireless
84 work, dedication, and especially his loyalty will be greatly



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85 missed; and

86 WHEREAS, Frank freely admits that none of these
87 accomplishments would be possible without the love, support,
88 and constant encouragement of his wife, Mary Alice "MAC";
89 two children, Christina Box and Brian Caskey; grandchildren;
90 and great-grandchildren; and

91 WHEREAS, we wish Frank continued good health,
92 immeasurable happiness, and well-deserved prosperity during
93 his retirement, which he will undoubtedly spend hiking and
94 enjoying the natural beauty of the Great Smoky Mountains and
95 beyond; this body knows well that his dedication to public
96 service and the law will not end when he crosses the
97 threshold of the State House, rather, the commendations
98 within this resolution are given with the knowledge that he
99 will continue serving his fellow Alabamians for many days;
100 now therefore,

101 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
102 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in recognition of his
103 outstanding record of professional achievement and dedicated
104 service to the Alabama Legislature and this state, Martin
105 Franklin Caskey is honored and commended, and this
106 resolution is offered to him in highest tribute and deepest
107 appreciation, along with best wishes as he embarks upon his
108 well-deserved retirement.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was passed by the House 04-Feb-25.

John Treadwell
Clerk

Senate

12-Feb-25

Adopted