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3 By Representatives Ledbetter, Lovvorn, Lee, Allbright, Baker,  
4 Barnes, Bedsole, Blackshear, Bolton, Boyd, Bracy, Brinyark,  
5 Brown, Butler, Carns, Chestnut, Clarke, Clouse, Collins,  
6 Colvin, Crawford, Crow, Daniels, Datcher, Drummond, DuBose,  
7 Easterbrook, Ellis, England, Ensler, Faulkner, Fidler,  
8 Fincher, Forte, Garrett, Gidley, Givan, Givens, Gray, Hall,  
9 Hammett, Harrison, Hassell, Hendrix, Hill, Holk-Jones, Hollis,  
10 Hulsey, Hurst, Ingram, Jackson, Jones, Kiel, Kirkland, Lamb,  
11 Lands, Lawrence, Lipscomb, Lomax, Marques, McCampbell,  
12 McClammy, Mooney, Moore (M), Moore (P), Morris, Myrex, Nelson,  
13 Oliver, Paramore, Paschal, Pettus, Pringle, Rafferty, Rehm,  
14 Reynolds, Rigsby, Robbins, Robertson, Ross, Sellers, Sells,  
15 Shaver, Shaw, Shirey, Simpson, Smith, Sorrells, Stadthagen,  
16 Standridge, Starnes, Stringer, Stubbs, Tillman, Travis,  
17 Treadaway, Underwood, Wadsworth, Warren, Whitt, Whorton,  
18 Wilcox, Wood (R), Yarbrough

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HJR\_\_\_ COMMENDING REPRESENTATIVE TRACY ESTES FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

WHEREAS, it is with great admiration and deep respect that we commend Representative Tracy Estes, currently serving his second term as a Republican member of the Alabama House of Representatives, for his many accomplishments and tireless devotion to our state, particularly in matters involving education, public safety, and advocacy for children and seniors; and

WHEREAS, since his first election in 2018, Representative Estes has served as a positive and principled advocate for the people of Alabama's 17th District, which includes Lamar, Marion, and Winston Counties; and

WHEREAS, John Tracy Estes, born on June 20, 1967, graduated from The University of Alabama in 1989 with a Bachelor's degree in News Editorial Journalism; following graduation, Representative Estes worked for *The Tuscaloosa News* and *The Montgomery Advertiser* sports department before taking a news editor position at the *Journal-Record Newspaper* in Marion County; and

WHEREAS, during his time as an editor, Representative Estes became a member of the Marion County Republican Party, the Alabama Association of School Boards Board of Directors, and the Winfield Chamber of Commerce; he worked as an editor



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29 for 27 years before retiring to run for public office; and

30 WHEREAS, he has been involved with a variety of other  
31 organizations throughout his career, including serving as a  
32 member of the Winfield Board of Education and the Northwest  
33 Alabama Adult Education Board; in 2020, he received the  
34 Legislative Award from the Alabama Association of School  
35 Boards, which recognizes a member of the Alabama Legislature  
36 for outstanding leadership and advocacy on behalf of public  
37 education; and

38 WHEREAS, during his terms in office, Representative  
39 Estes has sponsored bills that promote camp safety, school  
40 safety, and consumer protection, but he may best be  
41 remembered for sponsoring House Bill 506, which extended the  
42 duration of emergency teacher certificates from one year to  
43 two years; and

44 WHEREAS, he has been a member of the House Education  
45 Policy and the Public Safety and Homeland Security  
46 legislative committees, and he has served as Vice Chair for  
47 the Children and Senior Advocacy committee since 2023; and

48 WHEREAS, as his career in public service draws to a  
49 conclusion, the presence of Representative Estes will be  
50 greatly missed by those who had the privilege to work  
51 alongside him; now therefore,

52 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
53 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Representative Tracy Estes  
54 is honored and commended for his many contributions to the  
55 people of Alabama, and we express profound gratitude for his  
56 dedicated service, leadership, and strong work ethic.