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4 HR_____ COMMENDING KRIS SULLIVAN ON THE OCCASION OF HIS
5 RETIREMENT AS EXECUTIVE PASTOR OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF
6 TUSCALOOSA.

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8 WHEREAS, with great pride and special pleasure,
9 highest commendations are conveyed to Executive Pastor Kris
10 Sullivan on the occasion of his retirement from First
11 Baptist Church of Tuscaloosa; and

12 WHEREAS, Kris Sullivan has served First Baptist
13 Church as Executive Pastor for 18 years; during his tenure,
14 he has welcomed and shepherded his flock of believers to
15 everlasting salvation in Christ the Savior; and

16 WHEREAS, as Executive Pastor, he has inspired many
17 church members to engage in international missions, bringing
18 the Gospel to far-reaching lands, and to support local area
19 food banks, women's centers, and lifeline services; and

20 WHEREAS, Kris is an effective leader who responds to
21 emergency situations with assertive authority and guidance;
22 in the aftermath of the Tuscaloosa-Birmingham Tornado of
23 2011, he partnered with Samaritan's Purse to raise funds and
24 provide clean-up and rebuilding assistance to the Tuscaloosa
25 community, an effort that took more than two years to
26 accomplish; and he led his congregation through the COVID-19
27 pandemic with creative solutions to ministry until there
28 could be a safe return to Sunday worship services; and

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29 WHEREAS, Kris Sullivan is also a fiscally responsible
30 manager of church finances; he established the 721 Project,
31 which is a strategy to accumulate funds for facility
32 renovation and expansion while simultaneously paying down
33 financial debt, leading the church to be debt-free in March
34 2020; and

35 WHEREAS, his tireless leadership, with a foundation
36 in kindness and graciousness, has enriched those fortunate
37 enough to work and worship with him; his authentic and
38 compassionate guidance and his capable management of the
39 church and its ministries will be greatly missed; now
40 therefore,

41 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
42 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That it is a great pleasure to
43 commend Kris Sullivan on the occasion of his retirement as
44 Executive Pastor of First Baptist Church of Tuscaloosa, and
45 this resolution is offered to him as evidence of our high
46 regard and gratitude for his service to the spiritual needs
47 of his congregation, and we hope his retirement is blessed
48 with good health, prosperity, and success in all his future
49 endeavors.