

**SJR110 ENROLLED**



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3 By Senator Waggoner  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 02-Apr-26



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 SJR\_\_\_ COMMENDING WILLIAM RILEY HAWKINS, JR. ON HIS  
5 RETIREMENT FROM AARP ALABAMA.

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7 WHEREAS, William Riley "Bill" Hawkins, Jr. of  
8 Vestavia Hills, Alabama, has exemplified a lifelong devotion  
9 to service, integrity, and community engagement, which are  
10 qualities instilled in him from his parents, Frances and  
11 William R. "B.B." Hawkins of Sumter County; and

12 WHEREAS, Bill's path led him from his roots in rural  
13 Alabama, via Tuscaloosa, to Birmingham, where he met and  
14 married his devoted wife, Gina, with whom he has shared more  
15 than 20 years of marriage and the joy of raising their  
16 beloved daughter, Caroline, who is the light of his life;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Bill retires from AARP Alabama, following a  
19 distinguished career of more than two decades of dedicated  
20 advocacy on behalf of Alabama's seniors, during which he  
21 worked tirelessly to promote their well-being, independence,  
22 and protection from fraud and exploitation; and

23 WHEREAS, prior to his tenure at AARP, Bill served in  
24 roles of increasing responsibility at Brookwood Hospital;  
25 East End Memorial Hospital, now St. Vincent's East; Mayer  
26 Electric; and the Alabama Quality Assurance Foundation,  
27 consistently demonstrating excellence, professionalism, and  
28 an unwavering commitment to improving the quality of life



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29 for others; and

30 WHEREAS, Bill's service extends well beyond his  
31 professional obligations, including a deep and abiding  
32 involvement in his faith community at St. Thomas Episcopal  
33 Church, where he has served faithfully as a member of the  
34 vestry and as senior warden; and

35 WHEREAS, for 18 years, Bill contributed to the Miss  
36 Alabama Pageant Board, where he managed cash scholarship  
37 awards and played an instrumental role in raising  
38 approximately \$100,000 in scholarship funds annually,  
39 directly supporting the educational aspirations of young  
40 women across Alabama; and

41 WHEREAS, Bill was recognized among the Top 50 Over  
42 50<sup>+</sup> honorees, celebrated as an outstanding community leader  
43 whose influence, compassion, and dedication have had a  
44 meaningful impact on the lives of countless Alabamians; and

45 WHEREAS, known for his genuine warmth, keen wit, and  
46 approachable sense of humor, Bill has effortlessly built  
47 lasting relationships, earning the admiration and affection  
48 of his colleagues at AARP and community partners throughout  
49 the state; and

50 WHEREAS, throughout his career at AARP, Bill  
51 championed initiatives that empowered seniors, advanced  
52 public impact policy, and strengthened protections for  
53 vulnerable populations, leaving a legacy rooted in service,  
54 advocacy, and humility; now therefore,

55 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
56 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That William Riley Hawkins, Jr.



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57 is hereby commended for his exceptional career, his  
58 steadfast dedication to public service, and his immeasurable  
59 contributions to the people of Alabama.

60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution is  
61 presented to Bill Hawkins as a token of the highest respect,  
62 admiration, and gratitude, together with best wishes for a  
63 fulfilling and joyful retirement and continued success in  
64 all future endeavors.



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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 02-Apr-26

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives

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