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3 By Representatives Gaston, Sessions, Davis, Baker, Drummond,
4 Clarke, Bracy, Shiver, Wilcox, Williams (JW), Buskey and
5 Pringle
6 RFD: Rules
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8 COMMENDING BILL TUNNELL FOR OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL
9 ACHIEVEMENT.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly
12 presented to Bill Tunnell for outstanding professional
13 achievement on the occasion of his retirement after over two
14 decades of exceptional service with the USS Alabama Battleship
15 Memorial Park; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Tunnell entered employment with the USS
17 Alabama Battleship Memorial Park as Marketing and PR Director
18 in 1991; from 1997 until 2016, he contributed exceptional
19 direction to the USS Alabama Battleship Memorial Park as
20 Executive Director; and

21 WHEREAS, his passion for the USS Alabama Battleship
22 and its rich history, along with his dynamic skill set, have
23 served as invaluable assets to the park; he has overseen
24 numerous improvements to the USS Alabama Battleship Memorial
25 Park and has been influential in ensuring its smooth
26 operation; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Tunnell's roots with the USS Alabama
2 Battleship run deep; he still carries a card he earned from
3 his high school days for his efforts in helping save the USS
4 Alabama Battleship from the scrap yard and relocate it to
5 Mobile by donating change, along with his fellow classmates;
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7 WHEREAS, Mr. Tunnell moved to Mobile in 1979 and
8 worked in the hotel and convention industry before embarking
9 on his distinguished tenure with the USS Alabama Battleship
10 Memorial Park; and

11 WHEREAS, through the years, Mr. Tunnell has earned
12 immense credit for his tireless dedication and exceptional
13 abilities, and he is truly deserving of special recognition;
14 his contributions in preserving a remarkable artifact of
15 Alabama's diverse history is a tremendous source of credit;
16 now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Bill Tunnell is highly honored
19 and commended, and this resolution is offered to him in
20 deepest admiration and appreciation, along with sincere best
21 wishes for the future.