

1 HJR35
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3 By Representatives Hall and Daniels
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 19-AUG-16

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,
3 RECOGNIZING ERA TOWNSEND FOR OUTSTANDING LIFETIME
4 ACHIEVEMENT.

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6 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
7 are herein proudly presented to Era Townsend for outstanding
8 lifetime achievement; and

9 WHEREAS, Era Townsend was born as one of 11 children
10 to the union of Riley and Florence Townsend on January 16,
11 1914; she is the only living sibling; and

12 WHEREAS, as a child, Era crossed a railroad track
13 each day to attend the Council School; she attended school
14 until the fifth grade, during which time she began working
15 with Ms. W.I. Thomason performing domestic services and she
16 selflessly gave her earnings to her mother; and

17 WHEREAS, Era had the distinction of being the first
18 person baptized at the Franklin Street Church of Christ,
19 currently known as Blue Spring RD Church of Christ; and

20 WHEREAS, Era married Charlie Brake in 1946 and they
21 reared four wonderful children, John, Charles-Etta, Ellie, and
22 Glenda; Era instilled within her children the importance of
23 academics; her beloved and devoted husband, Charlie, died on
24 April 16, 1969; and

1 WHEREAS, Era's life has been further enriched by her
2 10 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and four
3 great-great-grandchildren; and

4 WHEREAS, Era contributed exceptional direction as a
5 fundraiser coordinator for Southwestern Christian College for
6 many years; she is a strong believer in obtaining a solid,
7 Christian education; and

8 WHEREAS, Era Townsend has inspired and earned the
9 respect of many through her tireless dedication, exceptional
10 abilities, and steadfast character; a pillar of the community,
11 she is truly deserving of special commendation and praise; now
12 therefore,

13 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
14 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Era Townsend is honored and
15 commended, and this resolution is offered to her in highest
16 tribute, along with sincere best wishes for continued
17 blessings.

