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3 By Representatives Boyd, Baker, Ball, Bandy, Barton, Baughn,
4 Beckman, Beech, Black, Boman, Boothe, Bracy, Bridges, Brown,
5 Burdine, Buskey, Buttram, Canfield, Chesteen, Clouse, Coleman,
6 Collins, Colston, Davis, DeMarco, Drake, England, Farley,
7 Faust, Fincher, Ford, Forte, Galliher, Gaston, Givan, Greer,
8 Greeson, Grimsley, Hall, Hammon, Harper, Henry, Hill, Holmes,
9 Howard, Hubbard (J), Hubbard (M), Hurst, Ison, Jackson,
10 Johnson (K), Johnson (R), Johnson (W), Jones, Kennedy, Knight,
11 Laird, Lee, Lindsey, Long, Love, Mask, McAdory, McCampbell,
12 McClammy, McClendon, McClurkin, McCutcheon, McMillan, Melton,
13 Merrill, Millican, Mitchell, Moore (B), Moore (M), Morrow,
14 Newton (C), Newton (D), Nordgren, Oden, Patterson, Payne,
15 Poole, Rich, Roberts, Robinson (J), Robinson (O), Rogers,
16 Sanderford, Scott, Sessions, Shiver, Thomas, Todd, Treadaway,
17 Tuggle, Vance, Wallace, Warren, Weaver, Williams (D), Williams
18 (J), Williams (P), Wood and Wren
19 RFD:
20 First Read: 02-JUN-11

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING BISHOP TERESA E. SNORTON ON BEING ELECTED
4 BISHOP OF THE CHRISTIAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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6 WHEREAS, commendations and congratulations are
7 herein extended to Bishop Teresa E. Snorton on being elected
8 the 59th Bishop and the first female Bishop of the Christian
9 Methodist Episcopal (CME) Church; and

10 WHEREAS, Bishop Snorton is Presiding Prelate of the
11 Fifth Episcopal District of the CME Church and will receive
12 recognition at the Annual Conference of the Birmingham Region
13 in Trussville, Alabama, July 11-13, 2011; and

14 WHEREAS, she is a fourth-generation, lifelong member
15 of the CME whose great-grandfather, father, and uncle were
16 pastors; Bishop Snorton's grandmother was an active
17 missionary, her mother is an evangelist, and her two sisters
18 are also CME ministers; and

19 WHEREAS, Bishop Snorton holds a Bachelor's Degree
20 from Vanderbilt University, a Master of Divinity Degree from
21 Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, a Master of
22 Theology in Pastoral Care from Southern Baptist Theological
23 Seminary; a Postgraduate Certificate in Patient Counseling
24 from Virginia Commonwealth University; and Doctor of Ministry
25 Degree from United Theological Seminary; and

1 WHEREAS, prior to and during seminary, she worked on
2 the ministerial staff of CME churches in her home state of
3 Kentucky and, after completing seminary, she was appointed to
4 pastor Lampkins Chapel CME Church in Louisville, Kentucky; she
5 has played key roles on numerous boards and committees of the
6 CME Church; and

7 WHEREAS, in addition to her pastoral work, Bishop
8 Snorton has been active in the pastoral care field, serving as
9 Executive Director of the National Association of Clinical
10 Pastoral Education, Incorporated, and on the faculties of
11 Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia Union University,
12 the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, and the
13 Emory Center for Pastoral Services; and

14 WHEREAS, a noted author, she has also been the
15 recipient of numerous awards in the pastoral care and
16 education fields; Bishop Snorton is a member of the
17 International Congress of Pastoral Care and Counseling, the
18 Society for Pastoral Theology, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority;
19 she is the mother of two sons and has two grandchildren; and

20 WHEREAS, through the years, Bishop Snorton has
21 earned respect for her exceptional abilities and tireless
22 dedication; now therefore,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
24 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That it is a great pleasure to
25 honor and commend Bishop Teresa E. Snorton on being elected

1 the 59th Bishop and the first female Bishop of the Christian
2 Methodist Episcopal Church, and this resolution of tribute is
3 offered to her with heartiest congratulations and best wishes
4 in all future endeavors.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 02-JUN-11.

Greg Pappas
Clerk

Senate

02-JUN-11

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