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3 By Representative Irons
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8 CONGRATULATING RICHARD GARDNER FOR PROFESSIONAL
9 ACHIEVEMENT.

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11 WHEREAS, Mr. Richard Gardner, Sheffield Schools
12 Superintendent, has announced his intention to retire
13 following the 2009-2010 school year; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Gardner has served with distinction for
15 the past 11 years; his 44 years in education are a testament
16 to his dedication to the youth of Alabama and the United
17 States; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Gardner has faithfully represented
19 Sheffield schools as a member of a number of organizations,
20 including the Board of Superintendents of Alabama, over which
21 he presided during the 2006-2007 school year; he is also a
22 member of the Valley Credit Union Board and the Helen Keller
23 Foundation Board; and

24 WHEREAS, since coming to Sheffield in 1999, Mr.
25 Gardner has overseen significant progress in the Sheffield
26 school system, including the implementation of distance
27 learning programs and attainment of district accreditation

1 from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; now
2 therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
4 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we heartily congratulate Mr.
5 Richard Gardner on the occasion of his retirement as
6 Superintendent of Sheffield schools and, by copy of this
7 resolution, extend our sincerest good wishes for all future
8 endeavors.