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3 By Representative Jones  
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8 COMMENDING HAROLD SORRELLS FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE  
9 TO OPP, COVINGTON COUNTY, AND THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations  
12 are herein proudly presented to Harold Sorrells for  
13 outstanding service to Opp, Covington County, and the State of  
14 Alabama through his life's work, community service, and  
15 dedication to his family and faith on the occasion of his  
16 retirement; and

17 WHEREAS, Harold Sorrells established and directed  
18 MSJ Trucking and promoted economic development and commerce in  
19 Opp, Covington County, and the state for a number of years;  
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21 WHEREAS, Mr. Sorrells has provided a model for high  
22 ethical standards in his daily work, community service, and as  
23 a member and Chairman of the Alabama Ethics Commission; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Sorrells generated momentum for  
25 continued improvements in the trucking industry through the  
26 Alabama Trucking Association, leading the organization in  
27 investing resources in scholarships and equipment donations to

1 colleges and schools to prepare Alabama's workforce; he  
2 contributed exceptional direction serving the Alabama Trucking  
3 Association in positions including Chairman of the Board, a  
4 member of the Board of Directors, Vice Chairman, and  
5 Convention Chairman; in 2008, he received the highest honor  
6 given by the Alabama Trucking Association, the Chester H. Webb  
7 Award; and

8 WHEREAS, he has supported Lurleen B. Wallace  
9 Community College (LBWCC) as an advisor of the Diesel and  
10 Heavy Equipment Occupational Advisory Committee, for which he  
11 has not missed a meeting for the last 15 years and has  
12 generously donated scholarship funds for LBWCC students who  
13 would not have otherwise had the opportunity to enroll; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Sorrells has provided expert guidance  
15 and leadership serving on the Board of Directors for  
16 Southtrust Bank of Covington County, CCB Community Bank,  
17 Mizell Memorial Hospital, the Douglas MacArthur State  
18 Technical College Foundation, and the Opp Chamber of Commerce,  
19 as a member of Opp Rotary Club, a Deacon of First Baptist  
20 Church, a founding member of the Covington County Economic  
21 Development Board, a member of the Industrial Development  
22 Board, a member of the Highway 331 Committee for the City of  
23 Opp, and a Gold Member of the Opp Bobcat Boosters; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Sorrells and his wife, Jeanette, have  
25 devoted their lives to Christian service through their work in  
26 the First Baptist Church of Opp; and

1                   WHEREAS, through the years, Mr. Sorrells has earned  
2                   immense respect for his tireless dedication and exceptional  
3                   abilities, and he is truly deserving of special recognition;  
4                   now therefore,

5                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
6                   THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Harold Sorrells is highly  
7                   honored and commended, and this resolution is offered in  
8                   deepest admiration and appreciation, along with sincere best  
9                   wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.