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3 By Senators Orr, Albritton, Allen, Barfoot, Beasley, Bell,

4 Butler, Carnley, Chambliss, Chesteen, Coleman,

5 Coleman-Madison, Elliott, Figures, Givhan, Gudger, Hatcher,

6 Hovey, Jones, Kelley, Kitchens, Livingston, Melson, Price,

7 Reed, Roberts, Sessions, Shelnett, Singleton, Smitherman,

8 Stewart, Stutts, Waggoner, Weaver, Williams

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SJR___ COMMENDING BARRY DEWAYNE MATSON ON HIS RETIREMENT.

WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations are herein proudly presented to Barry Dewayne Matson for outstanding professional achievement on the occasion of his retirement; and

WHEREAS, since January 2017, Barry Dewayne Matson has served as Executive Director of the Alabama Office of Prosecution Services, Alabama District Attorneys Association, and Alabama District Attorneys Association Foundation in Montgomery, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, prior to accepting this position, he served as Deputy Director of the Alabama Office of Prosecution Services and Alabama District Attorneys Association in Montgomery, Alabama, from January 2006 to December, 2016; and

WHEREAS, his wealth of experience includes 2006; Chief Deputy District Attorney, 29th Judicial Circuit, Talladega, Alabama, from 1995 to January 2006; Assistant District Attorney, 26th Judicial Circuit, Talladega, Alabama, October 1993 to 1995; and Law Librarian and Law Clerk for Presiding Circuit Judge William C. Sullivan and Circuit Judge Jerry Fielding, 29th Judicial Circuit, Talladega, Alabama, August 1990 to October 1993; and

WHEREAS, Executive Director Matson is a graduate of



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29 the Birmingham School of Law, where his honors included the
30 Dean's List; Phi Theta Delta Law Honor Society; and
31 Christian Legal Society Honors; and

32 WHEREAS, he graduated from Jacksonville State
33 University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in
34 Criminal Justice and was a member of Lambda Alpha Epsilon,
35 the Criminal Justice Association; he was Vice President of
36 the Lambda Gamma Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity,
37 Incorporated, and earned academic achievement honors from
38 the fraternity; and was the Debate Team Captain; and

39 WHEREAS, passionate about fighting drugs, Mr. Matson
40 served as Chairman of the Alabama Drug Abuse Task Force; he
41 was given the Drug Enforcement Agency Spartan Award for
42 dedication and exemplary commitment to the mission of the
43 DEA and for fighting addiction in 2014; and

44 WHEREAS, he was a founder and worked to establish the
45 National Computer Forensic Institute located in Hoover,
46 Alabama, which is a partnership between the United States
47 Secret Service, Alabama District Attorneys Association,
48 Office of Prosecution Services, State of Alabama, National
49 Judicial College, and the Alabama Securities Commission; and

50 WHEREAS, Executive Director Matson and his wife, Mrs.
51 Amy Majors Matson, are the proud parents of David Bradford
52 Matson (Maria) and Rachael Matson Taylor (Michael); they
53 have been blessed with three grandchildren; now therefore,

54 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
55 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That on the occasion of his
56 retirement and in recognition of his distinguished career,



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57 highest commendation is hereby conveyed to Mr. Barry Dewayne
58 Matson, for whom a copy of this resolution is provided in
59 admiration and appreciation, along with best wishes for the
60 future.