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3 By Senators Coleman, Irons, Ross, Figures, Waggoner, Marsh,
4 Ward, Dial, Sanford, Pittman, Keahey, Fielding, Beasley and
5 Smitherman
6 RFD: Rules
7 First Read: 07-FEB-12

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4 ENROLLED, SJR12,

5 COMMENDING DR. PAUL HUBBERT FOR PROFESSIONAL
6 ACHIEVEMENT AND DEDICATED SERVICE.

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8 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Dr.
9 Paul Hubbert is recognized for his distinguished service to
10 public education and the State of Alabama over the span of
11 more than 42 years; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Hubbert retired on December 31, 2011,
13 from his position as Executive Secretary of the Alabama
14 Education Association, where he effectively represented
15 Alabama's teachers and support personnel and significantly
16 impacted every piece of proposed legislation affecting
17 education; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Hubbert was serving as Superintendent
19 of Troy City Schools when he was recruited to head the Alabama
20 Education Association and, in 1969, he spearheaded the
21 organization's merger with the all-Black Alabama State
22 Teachers Association, creating the entity that came to be
23 regarded as the most powerful special interest group in
24 Alabama and unparalleled for political influence among kindred
25 education associations in the nation; and

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Hubbert was instrumental in the growth
2 of AEA from some 21,000 members to more than 100,000; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Hubbert takes justifiable pride in
4 securing retirement and health insurance benefits for some
5 33,000 support personnel in addition to the teachers whose
6 interests he successfully championed in financial concerns and
7 in matters crucial to the learning process such as class size
8 and adequate facilities; and

9 WHEREAS, among his well-deserved honors, Dr. Hubbert
10 received the prestigious H. Councill Trenholm Memorial Award
11 at the National Education Association's Annual Human and Civil
12 Rights Awards Dinner in 2009, in recognition of his
13 outstanding achievement in expanding educational opportunities
14 for minority students and educators and improving intergroup
15 relations in public schools; and

16 WHEREAS, through the years, Dr. Hubbert has been
17 steadfastly committed to protecting Alabama's educators, the
18 foundation of the process of improving the lives of the
19 children who are our future, and his presence will be greatly
20 missed in the halls of the State House and wherever challenges
21 arise in the arena of public education; now therefore,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
23 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That on the occasion of his
24 retirement and in recognition of his distinguished career
25 spanning more than 42 years as Executive Secretary of the

1 Alabama Education Association, highest commendation is herein
2 extended to Dr. Paul Hubbert, for whom a copy of this
3 resolution is provided in admiration and appreciation, along
4 with best wishes in all future endeavors.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris
Secretary

House of Representatives
Adopted: 14-FEB-12

By: Senator Coleman