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8 Waggoner, Ward, Whatley and Williams  
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8 COMMENDING MR. JOE TWARDY ON HIS CAREER AND  
9 ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

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11 WHEREAS, with great pride and special pleasure, we  
12 extend highest commendations to Mr. Joe Twardy on his  
13 successful career and many accomplishments; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Twardy, graduated from A.G. Parrish  
15 High School in Selma, Alabama; in 1972, he graduated from the  
16 forestry program at Auburn University and immediately accepted  
17 a position with MacMillan Bloedel in Pine Hill, Alabama;  
18 subsequently, he joined the Army National Guard, where he  
19 served for 12 years; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Twardy's first job at MacMillan Bloedel  
21 was to sell hardwood pulpwood as an Assistant Superintendent  
22 of Outside Sales; in February 1973, he attended basic training  
23 at Fort Jackson in South Carolina for six months; when he  
24 returned to MacMillan Bloedel, he was promoted to Area  
25 Forester and managed 75,000 to 80,000 acres in Dallas, Hale,  
26 and Perry Counties; four years later, the MacMillan Bloedel

1 company asked Mr. Twardy to move to Opelika, Alabama, to work  
2 at Lee Timber Products as the Procurement Manager; and

3 WHEREAS, in 1980, Mr. Twardy met Claire Sorrells;  
4 they married in 1981, and in 1984, they welcomed their first  
5 daughter, Sara; in 1988, they welcomed their second daughter,  
6 Anna; that same year, Mr. Twardy was named the Procurement  
7 Manager for the Pine Hill mill; in 1999, McMillan Bloedel was  
8 purchased by Weyerhaeuser, and Mr. Twardy was asked to stay  
9 with the company as a Fiber Supply Manager; in 2006, he  
10 retired and joined his wife in Auburn, Alabama; in 2010, he  
11 became the President of the Alabama Forestry Association; and  
12 in 2016, he became a member of the Alabama Forestry Commission  
13 Board; and

14 WHEREAS, for the last several decades, Mr. Twardy  
15 has proven to be a man of great commitment, diligence, and  
16 talent; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Mr. Joe Twardy is warmly  
19 commended on his successful career and many accomplishments,  
20 and this resolution hereby serves as a tribute to him with  
21 heartiest appreciation and admiration.