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3 By Representative McCutcheon
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 15-MAR-22

COMMENDING REPRESENTATIVE MERIKA COLEMAN FOR
DISTINGUISHED LEGISLATIVE SERVICE.

WHEREAS, we note with utmost admiration and appreciation the distinguished service of our friend and colleague, Representative Merika Coleman, who has diligently served the citizens of the State of Alabama and House District 57 in Jefferson County; and

WHEREAS, since becoming a member of the Alabama State House of Representatives in 2002, Representative Coleman has been actively involved in the legislative process through her varied responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Representative Coleman holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Mass Communication and a Master of Public Administration Degree from The University of Alabama at Birmingham and a Juris Doctor Degree from the Birmingham School of Law; she is the Director of Community and Economic Development at Miles College and also serves the Greater Birmingham Ministries Board; Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.; Links, Inc.; Jack and Jill of America; the Women's Legislators'

1 Lobby; the National Organization of Black Elected Legislative
2 Women; the National Foundation for Women Legislators; the
3 American State Legislators for Gun Violence Prevention
4 Steering Committee; the Midfield Voter's League as a Founding
5 Member; the State Democratic Executive Committee; the County
6 Democratic Executive Committee as Finance Chairwoman; the
7 Legislative Black Caucus as a former Secretary; the House
8 Democratic Policy Committee; and the House Democratic Caucus
9 as an Assistant Minority Leader; from 2014 to 2018, she served
10 on the Financial Services Committee, the Judiciary Committee,
11 and the Jefferson County Legislation; and

12 WHEREAS, dedicated to her family, Representative
13 Coleman has two children, Elexia and Xaviar; and

14 WHEREAS, Representative Coleman's commitment to
15 public service is unsurpassed; we are privileged to have
16 served with this exemplary Alabama stateswoman; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby heartily commend
19 Representative Merika Coleman for her outstanding record of
20 service to the citizens of House District 57 and the State of
21 Alabama and for her invaluable contributions to this body over
22 the years; we direct that a copy of this resolution be
23 presented to Representative Coleman with our highest esteem
24 and appreciation.