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8	COMMENDING REPRESENTATIVE MAC MCCUTCHEON ON HIS
9	RETIREMENT AND YEARS OF SERVICE.
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11	WHEREAS, with the final adjournment of the 2019-2022
12	quadrennium of the Legislature of Alabama, Representative Mac
13	McCutcheon will conclude a 16-year tenure in the Legislature;
14	this coincides with the end of his service as Speaker of the
15	Alabama House of Representatives, after six years in that
16	role; and
17	WHEREAS, born as Chester Clarence McCutcheon on July
18	15, 1952, in Madison County, Alabama, Representative
19	McCutcheon spent his early days roaming the area he would one
20	day serve as State Representative; his youth in northern
21	Alabama imparted to him a fondness for the serene landscapes,
22	abundant fauna, and crisp mountain air of his home district;
23	this closeness with nature served as a canvas for his
24	closeness with God, and further encouraged him to serve in
25	ministry as an associate pastor; and
26	WHEREAS, indeed, Representative McCutcheon is a man
27	who has worn many hats and held many titles; he earned an

Associate of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Calhoun Community College and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Trinity University; he served in the United States Army, has worked as a farmer, and spent 25 years with the Huntsville Police Department, in fields ranging from hostage negotiation to probation officer; he is a member of the American Legion, the Fraternal Order of Police, the Alabama Peace Officers' Association, North Alabama Emmaus Community, Tennessee Valley Smallmouth Bass Club, and the City of Madison Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, despite these many names and many titles,
Representative McCutcheon, for the past six years, has been
one thing to this body: "Mr. Speaker"; although he has had to
leverage his hostage negotiation experience a time or two,
Representative McCutcheon has spent his tenure as Speaker of
the House increasing the credibility and status of that
position and of the House chamber, and using the gravitas of
his office for the benefit of each and every member of the
House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, although he has rightfully borne these labors with pride, Representative McCutcheon's true pride and joy is his family; he and his wife of 52 years, Debbie, are the parents of two children and grandparents of four grandchildren; they have served as Representative McCutcheon's inspiration and motivation to never stop improving his home state; and

WHEREAS, Representative McCutcheon still has the attachment to nature he formed in his early days; in his free time, Representative McCutcheon enjoys spending time in the outdoors while fishing, camping, playing golf, or farming; when he is not digging the chamber "out of the weeds," he loves a good afternoon of bushhogging some underbrush on his farm; in addition to spending time with his family and traveling with his wife, we sincerely hope that he finds time in his retirement to enjoy the peaceful nooks of the Lord's creation; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Representative Mac McCutcheon
is hereby commended for his years of service on this occasion
of his retirement, and that a copy of this resolution be
presented to him as a token of our endless thanks and our deep
appreciation.