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3 By Representative Pringle
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 14-FEB-17

8 COMMENDING JOE MCEARCHERN FOR OUTSTANDING
9 PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT.
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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly
12 presented to Joe McEarchern on the occasion of his retirement
13 as Chief Clerk of the Probate Court of Mobile County; and

14 WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Mobile, Alabama, Joe
15 McEarchern embarked on his remarkable career as chief clerk of
16 the Recording Division of the Mobile County Probate Court in
17 1972 and progressed to his most recent position in 1981; and

18 WHEREAS, notably, Joe McEarchern oversaw and
19 implemented changes to the Probate Court's pre-computerized
20 indexing system for judicial and land records which made the
21 system more efficient and easier to utilize; as computer
22 technology progressed, he implemented and oversaw changes in
23 court operations utilizing computers in all aspects of the
24 Court's responsibilities; and

25 WHEREAS, Joe McEarchern's extensive record of
26 excellence includes serving as a founding member and past
27 president of the Alabama Probate Chief Clerks Association,

1 member of the Alabama Law Institute's Probate Code Revision
2 Committee, assistant to the Alabama Law Institute on numerous
3 projects relating to Alabama probate courts, probate law, and
4 probate practice and procedure, and as a frequent speaker at
5 seminars; and

6 WHEREAS, an avid learner of many subjects and a man
7 of various interests, he was an instrument rated airplane
8 pilot for many years and, today, enjoys photography,
9 astronomy, and birding; he is a licensed ham radio operator
10 and an honorary member of the Murphy High School Alumni Silver
11 Panthers Ham Radio Club; he and his wife, Wendy, are faithful
12 members of the First Baptist Church of Mobile; and

13 WHEREAS, the Mobile Bar Association's Probate
14 Section has scheduled a special reception honoring Joe
15 McEarchern on the occasion of his retirement; and

16 WHEREAS, through the years, Joe McEarchern has
17 earned widespread admiration and respect for his tireless
18 dedication and exceptional abilities, and he is truly
19 deserving of special commendation and praise; now therefore,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
21 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Joe McEarchern is highly
22 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered to him
23 in deepest admiration and appreciation for his service to
24 Mobile County, along with sincere best wishes for the future.