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3 By Representative Gaston  
4 RFD: Rules  
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8 COMMENDING MR. STANLEY K. HAMMACK.

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10 WHEREAS, Mr. Stanley K. Hammack has served the  
11 University of South Alabama for 41 years in a variety of  
12 leadership positions, masterfully managed the numerous  
13 challenges found in academic medicine and demonstrated his  
14 ability to capitalize on opportunities; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Hammack began his career at the  
16 University as a pharmacist at the USA Medical Center in 1975,  
17 later becoming Director of Materials Management and Assistant  
18 Administrator, and attended night classes to earn his Master's  
19 Degree in Public Administration from the University, and  
20 throughout his career, has served as a champion for medical  
21 education in USA's College of Medicine and numerous USA  
22 graduate medical education programs; and

23 WHEREAS, after the University's purchase of Doctors  
24 and Knollwood Park Hospital in 1990, Mr. Hammack served as  
25 Hospital Administrator of USA's Knollwood Park Hospital,  
26 during which time he developed a longterm acute care hospital,

1 the first of its kind in Alabama, for a unique, previously  
2 underserved patient population; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Hammack later became Hospital  
4 Administrator at USA Children's and Women's Hospital,  
5 overseeing the relocation of inpatient services for newborns,  
6 children, and women from the USA Medical Center, and helping  
7 create a Medicaid maternity program, the center for Child  
8 Development and Geri Moulton Children's Park; and

9 WHEREAS, in his most recent positions as Associate  
10 Vice President/CEO for the USA Hospitals and then as Vice  
11 President for USA Health Systems, Mr. Hammack has played a key  
12 leadership role in shaping health care policy throughout  
13 Alabama; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Hammack has been recognized regionally  
15 and nationally for his significant contributions in managing  
16 state funding issues and improving access for patients through  
17 his work with Alabama's Medicaid Waiver Program and Alabama's  
18 Children's Health Insurance Program, as well as for his  
19 service on local, regional, and national boards, including  
20 those for America's Essential Hospitals, Blue Cross/Blue  
21 Shield of Alabama and the Business Council of Alabama, and,  
22 further, for his service on the Medicaid Advisory Commission,  
23 as chair of the Medicaid Steering Committee and for numerous  
24 leadership roles for both the Alabama and American Hospital  
25 Associations, including the American Hospital Association's  
26 influential Regional Policy Board; and

1           WHEREAS, he was honored by the American Hospital  
2 Association as Alabama's recipient of the AHA's Grassroots  
3 Champion Award, given in conjunction with the Alabama Hospital  
4 Association, and, in 2009, he was awarded the Gold Medal of  
5 Excellence by the Alabama Hospital Association; and

6           WHEREAS, Mr. Hammack has provided leadership in the  
7 development of regional care organizations across the state to  
8 support better health outcomes and create a more efficient  
9 delivery system, and he led the effort to organize the  
10 University's lead role in the Gulf Coast Regional Care  
11 Organization to provide care for patients in Southwest  
12 Alabama; and

13           WHEREAS, Mr. Hammack, with his affinity for  
14 motorcycles and travel, will soon be literally riding off into  
15 the sunset; now therefore,

16           BE IT RESOLVED, That we express our deep  
17 appreciation to Mr. Stanley K. Hammack for his many  
18 contributions to the University of South Alabama and wishing  
19 him and his wife, Brenda, the best upon his retirement.