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3 By Representatives Gordon, Buskey, Mitchell, Kennedy, Allen,
4 Baker (A), Baker (L), Ball, Bandy, Barton, Beasley, Beech,
5 Bentley, Black, Boothe, Boyd, Bridges, Brown, Canfield,
6 Clouse, Coleman, Collier, Curtis, Davis, DeMarco, Drake,
7 Dukes, England, Faust, Fields, Fincher, Ford, Galliher,
8 Gaston, Gipson, Graham, Grantland, Greeson, Grimes, Guin,
9 Hall, Hammett, Hammon, Harper, Hill, Hilliard, Hinshaw,
10 Holmes, Howard, Hubbard, Hurst, Irons, Ison, Jackson, Johnson,
11 Knight, Laird, Letson, Lewis, Lindsey, Love, Martin, Mask,
12 McAdory, McCampbell, McClammy, McClendon, McClurkin,
13 McCutcheon, McDaniel, McLaughlin, McMillan, Millican, Moore
14 (M), Moore (P), Morrow, Newton (C), Newton (D), Oden, Page,
15 Payne, Robinson (J), Robinson (O), Rogers, Salaam, Sanderford,
16 Scott, Sherer, Shiver, Spicer, Taylor, Thigpen, Thomas (E),
17 Thomas (J), Todd, Treadaway, Vance, Ward, Warren, White,
18 Williams (J), Williams (P), Wood and Wren
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20 First Read: 08-APR-10

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8 COMMENDING DOROTHY COOLEY: 2010 INDUCTEE TO THE
9 PRICHARD SPORTS AND LEADERSHIP HALL FAME.

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11 WHEREAS, it is a great pleasure to extend
12 commendations and congratulations to Dorothy Cooley on being
13 selected a 2010 Inductee to the City of Prichard Sports and
14 Leadership Hall of Fame; and

15 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Hall of Fame is to
16 recognize and honor the outstanding individuals who have made
17 a positive impact on society and on the great City of
18 Prichard, which is appropriately known as the "City of
19 Champions"; and

20 WHEREAS, Dorothy Cooley is an esteemed educator who
21 has served the children of Mobile County as a math teacher and
22 an administrator; her academic credentials include a Bachelor
23 of Science Degree in Mathematics from Wiley College in
24 Marshall, Texas, as well as Master's Degrees from both the
25 University of South Alabama and Alabama State University; and

26 WHEREAS, the highlight of her professional career
27 was becoming the first African-American female in Mobile

1 County to serve as a high school principal when she was named
2 principal of Blount High School; and

3 WHEREAS, after 26 years of service in the Mobile
4 County School District, Dorothy Cooley embarked upon a career
5 in the Pascagoula, Mississippi, School District, where she
6 served first as a middle school assistant principal and
7 finally as an elementary school principal; and

8 WHEREAS, after working with our friend and
9 colleague, Representative James Gordon, as an administrative
10 assistant, she accepted a position with Alternatives Unlimited
11 to serve as a Lead Teacher; initially, she was assigned to
12 serve the students at the Drop Back In Academy in Crichton and
13 was recently transferred to the Drop Back In Academy on Three
14 Notch Road; and

15 WHEREAS, devoted to family and faith, she is married
16 to her high school sweetheart, Charles Cooley, and they have
17 five sons, six granddaughters, and one grandson; she is an
18 active member of Third Missionary Baptist Church, teaching
19 Sunday School and working in other capacities as needed; her
20 community leadership roles include the Mobile Alumnae Chapter
21 of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, the NAACP, the
22 Alabama Education Association, and the National Education
23 Association; and

24 WHEREAS, through the years and in all her endeavors,
25 she has earned widespread respect for her exceptional
26 abilities and tireless dedication; now therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
2 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That on the occasion of her
3 well-deserved induction into the City of Prichard Sports and
4 Leadership Hall of Fame, Dorothy Cooley is honored and
5 commended, and this resolution is offered in highest tribute
6 to her along with heartiest congratulations and best wishes
7 for the future.