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3 By Representative Warren
4 RFD: Rules
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8 NAMING A PORTION OF HIGHWAY 80 IN MACON COUNTY THE
9 HAROLD DEON POWELL MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

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11 WHEREAS, Harold Deon Powell served the people of
12 Macon County, Alabama, as Town Clerk of Shorter and as
13 Secretary-Treasurer of the Macon County Economic Development
14 Authority; he died unexpectedly in November 2017, while on an
15 economic development trip to the Leonardo Company in Italy
16 with state officials; and

17 WHEREAS, a licensed real estate broker, instructor,
18 and founder of Powell Properties, Powell was committed to
19 community service and worked diligently to make a difference;
20 he was active in politics and served as the first African
21 American National Vice President and later as President of the
22 College Democrats of America; and

23 WHEREAS, Powell was educated in the public school
24 system in Macon County and attended Tuskegee University; he
25 spent his lifetime helping to revitalize Macon County,
26 including recruiting for jobs, retail, and infrastructure; and

1 WHEREAS, he was committed to business recruitment,
2 including with the Leonardo Company, an aircraft company that
3 now plans to build a multimillion dollar T-100 aircraft
4 manufacturing factory near the Tuskegee Airmen's National
5 Historical Site; and

6 WHEREAS, it is fitting to honor the memory of Harold
7 Deon Powell near the place where he impacted the lives of so
8 many people in Macon County, Alabama; now therefore,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
10 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in memory of his dedication
11 and service to the citizens of the Town of Shorter and Macon
12 County, Alabama, we declare that the portion of U.S. Highway
13 80 from the intersection of County Road 7 to Exit 22 of
14 Interstate 85 in Macon County is named the Harold Deon Powell
15 Memorial Highway.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, the appropriate
17 officials be requested to place and maintain signs or markers
18 as provided in this resolution.