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5 By: Representatives Overbey, George, Lamoureux, Berry, Wells, Pyle, Breedlove
6 By: Senators Wilkinson, Laverty, Trusty, B. Johnson, Whitaker

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9 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

10 COMMENDING JUDGE JOHN S. PATTERSON UPON HIS
11 RETIREMENT FROM THE BENCH FOR HIS LONG AND
12 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO FRANKLIN, JOHNSON, AND
13 POPE COUNTIES.

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15 **Subtitle**

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19 FRANKLIN, JOHNSON, AND POPE COUNTIES.

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22 WHEREAS, the Honorable Circuit Judge John Samuel Patterson was born in
23 Clarksville, Arkansas, on December 7, 1945, to Edward Hall and Gladys Thomson
24 Patterson; and

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26 WHEREAS, Judge Patterson attended Clarksville public schools and
27 graduated from high school in May 1963; attended the University of Arkansas
28 at Fayetteville for his undergraduate degree and his law degree, graduating
29 in 1967 and 1970 respectively; while a college student was a member of Phi
30 Delta Theta fraternity; and while a law student was a member of Phi Alpha
31 Delta legal fraternity; and

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33 WHEREAS, Judge Patterson was admitted to practice law in Arkansas in
34 1970; joined his father Edward H. Patterson in the practice of law in the
35 Patterson and Patterson firm from 1970 until 1982; held the position of
36 Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in Johnson County from 1971 until 1976; and held



1 the position of Clarksville Municipal Judge from 1976 until 1982; and

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3 WHEREAS, Judge Patterson was elected circuit judge in 1982, serving
4 Franklin, Johnson, and Pope Counties, and retired in 2007; and

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6 WHEREAS, Judge Patterson is a Rotarian and a 32nd Degree Mason; a
7 Johnson Regional Hospital Board member; a Johnson County Co-Op Board member;
8 a member of the Johnson County Cattlemen's Association; a member of the
9 Arkansas Cattlemen's Association; a member of the American Simmental
10 Association; and a member and deacon of First Presbyterian Church in
11 Clarksville, Arkansas; and

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13 WHEREAS, Judge Patterson is a member of the American Bar Association;
14 and a member of the Arkansas Bar Association, having served on the House of
15 Delegates, the probate law committee, and the family law committee; and

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17 WHEREAS, Judge Patterson has served with distinction as an attorney and
18 a judge during his career and is admired by attorneys and litigants alike;
19 and has served his community and the State of Arkansas with tireless
20 dedication; and

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22 WHEREAS, Judge Patterson is married to Edna Elkins Patterson, with whom
23 he has two (2) daughters, Page Patterson Hardin, and her husband Scott, and
24 Penny Patterson Coffman, and her husband Chad; and three (3) grandchildren,
25 Abigail Coffman, Regan Coffman, and Graham Hardin; and

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27 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives of the Eighty-Sixth General
28 Assembly commends Judge Patterson on his long and distinguished service as a
29 circuit judge and wishes him well upon his retirement,

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31 NOW THEREFORE,

32 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL
33 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

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35 THAT the House of Representatives commends the Honorable Circuit Judge
36 John Samuel Patterson on his long and distinguished service as a judge for

1 Franklin, Johnson, and Pope Counties and wishes him well upon his retirement.

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3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, an
4 appropriate copy shall be provided to Judge Patterson by the Chief Clerk of
5 the House of Representatives.

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