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Bronner to Speak at 70th Annual Meeting of Opelika Chamber of Commerce

OPELIKA, AL – (April 29, 2011) – Dr. David Bronner, CEO of Retired Systems of Alabama (RSA) is the guest speaker for the Opelika Chamber of Commerce's 70th Annual Meeting which will be held at the Marriott at Grand National on Thursday, May 12. The Annual Meeting will open with a cash bar from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. followed by a sit-down dinner. The cost is \$45 per person or businesses may purchase tables of 10 for employees or friends for \$400. After the meal, the Chamber will recognize some of Opelika's finest citizens with the *Spirit of Opelika* award, the *Distinguished Citizen* award, the *Small Business of the Year* award and the *Ambassador of the Year* award. Dr. Bronner will speak after the awards ceremony and the evening will conclude with the passing of the gavel.

High profile investments to help Alabama thrive are a hallmark of Dr. Bronner with The Alabama Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail as his crowning glory. This Trail is a renowned collection of 26 championship golf courses at 11 sites that has put Alabama at the top of the list of golf destinations worldwide and helped increased tourism from a \$1.8 billion industry to a \$9.6 billion industry.

Dr. Bronner has also invested in many other areas such as office buildings in Montgomery, Mobile and New York and the development of eight luxurious hotels and conference centers in Alabama. Other investments include Raycom Media with 43 TV stations, and Community Newspaper Holdings, Inc., with over 160 newspapers which provide free advertising for the state of Alabama. Dr. Bronner served as Chairman of the US Airways Board of Directors during 2003-2005.

The RSA is a public pension fund with assets in excess of \$28 billion providing benefits for over 325,000 public employees and retirees. The RSA is ranked 109 Of the 300 largest private / public pension funds in the world, and 46th in the United States.