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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. HENRY E. CLEVELAND, JR.

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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the
11 death of Henry E. "Gene" Cleveland, Jr., on March 1, 2018, at
12 the age of 78 years; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Cleveland was born May 1, 1939, in
14 Birmingham, Alabama; he graduated from Ensley High School in
15 1957 and The University of Alabama in 1962; he married his
16 high school sweetheart, Evelyn Rose Jennings, while at the
17 university; they moved to Gadsden, where he worked his entire
18 career at the steel plant until it closed in 2000; and

19 WHEREAS, he was an active member of Bellevue United
20 Methodist Church and in the United Methodist local district;
21 he served in various capacities for over 50 years, including
22 interim choir director and the Methodist Men's Club; he was
23 also very involved in the Gadsden community, serving in
24 leadership roles in the Noccalula Little League, Emma Sansom
25 Band Club, The Way of the Cross and The Love Center; and

26 WHEREAS, he enjoyed helping people through serving
27 meals or by providing needed items, supporting the Alabama

1 football team through The Red Elephant Club, traveling and
2 playing golf; and

3 WHEREAS, he was predeceased by his parents, Henry
4 and Berenice Cleveland; he is survived by his wife, Evelyn
5 Cleveland; four children, Gene III (Allison) Cleveland,
6 Russell (Lynn) Cleveland, Angie (Matt) Mabrey, and Vicki
7 (Ivey) Williamson; grandchildren, Justin (Cassidy) Cleveland,
8 Ry Cleveland, Cameron (Taylor) Candella, Victoria (J.D.)
9 Bergman, Justin (Tiffany) Ammerman, Jack Cleveland, Sam
10 Cleveland, Matthew (Hannah) Mabrey, Meredith Grace Mabrey,
11 Reeder Williamson, and Keller Williamson; great-grandchildren,
12 David Cleveland, Marlin Cleveland, Juniper Cleveland, Daxton
13 Candella, Jude Ammerman, and Lyla Cleveland; sister, Kathryn
14 Buchanan; and brother, O'Neal (Dianne) Cleveland; and

15 WHEREAS, the passing of Henry E. "Gene" Cleveland,
16 Jr., leaves a void in the lives of his loving family, many
17 friends, and the entire community, where he was highly
18 regarded; his presence will be greatly missed, but his memory
19 will be cherished in the hearts of all who knew and loved him;
20 now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
22 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. Henry E.
23 "Gene" Cleveland, Jr., is recorded with deep sadness, and this
24 resolution is offered in highest tribute to his life, along
25 with heartfelt sympathy to his grieving family.