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3 By Senator Allen  
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4 ENROLLED, SJR16,

5 MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF  
6 ROBERT B. LAKE.

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8 WHEREAS, we deeply regret and are greatly saddened  
9 to learn of the death of Mr. Robert B. "Bob" Lake of  
10 Moundville, Alabama, on November 16, 2017, at 73 years of age,  
11 and we uplift his inspiring life and legacy with utmost  
12 reverence and respect; and

13 WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Robert B. Lake leaves a  
14 void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and the  
15 entire community, where he was highly regarded; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Lake, an alumnus of Tuscaloosa High  
17 School and The University of Alabama, served with much honor  
18 in the National Guard; for many years, he worked in finance in  
19 Jackson, Mississippi, New Orleans, Louisiana, and Deland,  
20 Florida; he returned to West Alabama and took a position at  
21 the Bank of Moundville, and as he and his wife reared their  
22 four children in Moundville, he served on the Moundville Town  
23 Council from 1980 until 1984 and as Mayor of Moundville from  
24 1984 until 1996; as Mayor, he was instrumental in the  
25 formation of the West Alabama Council of Mayors; he was also

1 influential in the founding of the Moundville Jaycees and  
2 served the organization as Senator; he secured a grant that  
3 enabled a revitalization of the downtown area and he led the  
4 West Alabama Regional Commission for 21 years; he served in  
5 numerous civic leadership positions and represented rural  
6 communities while serving as Chair of the West Alabama  
7 Planning and Development Council; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Lake was a family man who loved serving  
9 others; his honors have included the David Cochran Award  
10 presented by the West Alabama Regional Commission; and  
11 Business Man of the Year-Hale County Farm-City program;  
12 Northport Citizen of the Year, Business 2016; the Moundville  
13 Head Start facility was named the Robert B. Lake Head Start  
14 Program; he enjoyed red fishing with his family and friends,  
15 attending Alabama football games, and traveling domestically  
16 and internationally; he kept up with the local news through  
17 the Wednesday Breakfast Gang comprised of his friends, Larry  
18 O'Neal, Earl Mitchell, John Lollar, Mike Fields, and Bill  
19 Walker; and

20 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted  
21 wife, Linda J. Lake; daughters, Jennifer Ann Anderson (Steve)  
22 and Sandi McMahon (DJ); sons, Robert C. Lake (Michelle),  
23 George A. Lake (Lisa), Paul J. Lake, and Michael Massey;  
24 sister, Betty Holliman and her children, David and Steven;  
25 grandchildren, Sarah Kidwell, Catherine Kidwell, Anna Kidwell,

1 John Robert Kidwell, Grace Anne Lake, Mary Beth Lake, Chace  
2 Lake, Garrett Lake, Sydney Lake, Avery Lake, Anna Laura  
3 Bigham, Cody Bigham, Parker Anderson and Garrett Anderson; he  
4 was preceded in death by his parents, Robert A. Lake and Sara  
5 Hamby Lake and infant son, John Patrick Lake; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Robert B. Lake was a valued member of  
7 the community; although his presence is greatly missed, his  
8 memory is cherished in the hearts and minds of all those who  
9 were fortunate enough to know him; now therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
11 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That while grieving the death of  
12 Mr. Robert B. Lake, we are extremely grateful for his abundant  
13 life, and we offer this resolution in highest tribute to his  
14 legacy, as well as in heartfelt sympathy to his family and  
15 friends.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution  
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives  
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