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4 Barton, Beasley, Beck, Beech, Bentley, Black, Boothe, Boyd,  
5 Bridges, Buskey, Canfield, Clouse, Coleman, Collier, Curtis,  
6 Davis, DeMarco, Drake, Dukes, England, Faust, Fields, Fincher,  
7 Ford, Galliher, Gaston, Gipson, Gordon, Graham, Grantland,  
8 Greeson, Grimes, Guin, Hall, Hammett, Hammon, Harper, Hill,  
9 Hilliard, Hinshaw, Holmes, Howard, Hubbard, Hurst, Irons,  
10 Ison, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, Knight, Laird, Letson, Lewis,  
11 Lindsey, Love, Martin, Mask, McAdory, McCampbell, McClammy,  
12 McClendon, McClurkin, McCutcheon, McDaniel, McLaughlin,  
13 McMillan, Millican, Mitchell, Moore (M), Moore (P), Morrow,  
14 Newton (C), Newton (D), Oden, Page, Payne, Robinson (J),  
15 Robinson (O), Rogers, Salaam, Sanderford, Scott, Sherer,  
16 Shiver, Spicer, Taylor, Thigpen, Thomas (E), Thomas (J), Todd,  
17 Treadaway, Vance, Ward, Warren, White, Williams (J), Williams  
18 (P), Wood and Wren  
19 RFD: Rules  
20 First Read: 04-FEB-10

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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. ELISE HARRIS HINES.  
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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow and regret that  
11 news is received of the death of a most accomplished  
12 Alabamian, Mrs. Elise Harris Hines of Flomaton, on January 5,  
13 2010, at the age of 88 years; and

14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hines was the guiding spirit of the  
15 Flomaton Public Library, which she was instrumental in  
16 founding and served for more than 44 years as chairman of the  
17 Public Library Board; and

18 WHEREAS, born April 2, 1921, in Pineapple, Alabama,  
19 to Hugh C. and Eleanor Pugh Harris, she attended Moore  
20 Academy, earned a Teacher's Certificate from Livingston  
21 Teachers College in 1941, and held teaching jobs in Loxley and  
22 McKenzie; in addition, from 1963-1983, she taught private  
23 kindergarten; and

24 WHEREAS, after moving to Flomaton in the mid 1950s,  
25 Mrs. Hines became a charter member of the Flomaton Research  
26 Club, and in 1961, the Research Club began the process of  
27 securing state aid for a library; a year later, Mrs. Hines

1 began carrying books in the trunk of her car and utilized a  
2 jail cell at Town Hall to make them available for checkout to  
3 the public; by January 1964, the Research Club had obtained  
4 donations of more than 400 books, and the mayor of Flomaton  
5 provided a vacant building on Palafox Street for use as a  
6 library, where Mrs. Hines' husband built the first bookcases;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, in September 2009, a ground-breaking  
9 ceremony was held for a million-dollar, state-of-the-art  
10 library in downtown Flomaton, and in January 2010, the Alabama  
11 Public Library Service added to the accumulation of more than  
12 26,000 volumes by donating 44 new books to the Flomaton Public  
13 Library in honor of Mrs. Hines' 44 years of service; and

14 WHEREAS, she leaves to mourn her death two sons,  
15 John M. (Laurie) Hines and William N. (Judy) Hines; two  
16 daughters, Joyce (Lewis) Yeouze and Helen (Herb) Cannon; two  
17 brothers, Billy (Wilma) Harris and Reefas (Arlene) Harris; two  
18 sisters, Patricia Mitchell and Betty Sue (Butch) Siefert; 10  
19 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; a sister-in-law, Ruth  
20 Hines; and numerous nieces and nephews; and

21 WHEREAS, in addition to her parents, she was  
22 preceded in death by her beloved husband of 58 years, McArthur  
23 Hines; an infant daughter; three brothers, Hugh, Clarence Don,  
24 and Will Rogers; and two sisters, Dixie and Mildred; and

25 WHEREAS, as an educator and through her dedicated  
26 library service, Mrs. Hines leaves a legacy that will endure  
27 for future generations; now therefore,

1                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
2   HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Elise Harris  
3   Hines is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is  
4   offered in highest tribute to her life of achievement and  
5   service, along with heartfelt sympathy to her grieving family.