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3 By Representatives Sherer and Guin  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 04-FEB-10

8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. GERALD DEWITT COLVIN, SR.  
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10 WHEREAS, we note with deep regret the passing of Mr.  
11 Gerald DeWitt Colvin, Sr., at the age of 90 years; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Colvin, a native of Edgewater who lived  
13 most of his life in Jasper, had resided for the past three  
14 years at St. Martin's in the Pines in Birmingham; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Colvin served with distinction in the  
16 United States Army Air Corps during World War II, earning a  
17 Bronze Star; after the War, he served in the Air Force Reserve  
18 and the Alabama National Guard before retiring as a Lieutenant  
19 Colonel; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Colvin and his wife, Sara Serena Boykin  
21 Colvin, graduated from the University of Alabama School of Law  
22 and practiced law in Jasper; he served as Walker County  
23 District Judge for a number of years and later served as  
24 County District Attorney; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Colvin was an active member of St.  
26 Mary's Episcopal Church, where he served in a number of  
27 positions; and

1                   WHEREAS, Mr. Colvin was preceded in death by his  
2 wife, Sara Serena Boykin Colvin; sisters, Evelyn Louise  
3 Colvin, Helen Marie Colvin Bonner, and Vivian Eloise Colvin;  
4 and brother, Lewis Veston Colvin, Jr.; and

5                   WHEREAS, Mr. Colvin is survived by his sons, Gerald  
6 DeWitt (Jimmie Ann) Colvin, Jr., and Edward Veston (Memily)  
7 Colvin; daughters, Serena Colvin (Parkin) Hunter and Carol Ann  
8 Colvin (John) Moore; grandchildren, Gerald DeWitt (Melissa)  
9 Colvin, III, Jeffrey Harwell (Shelly) Colvin, Andrew Bennett  
10 (Susan) Colvin, Carrie Ann Colvin (Matt) Alling, Clayton  
11 Veston (Caroline) Colvin, Benjamin Rogers (Vashti) Colvin,  
12 Mary Emily Kirby Colvin (Patrick) Haas, Matthew Frank Clark,  
13 John Croom Colvin Hunter, and Sara Serena Boykin Hunter; and  
14 great-grandchildren, Gerald DeWitt Colvin, IV, William Carter  
15 Colvin, and Veston Augustus Colvin; and

16                   WHEREAS, Mr. Colvin's passing is a great loss to his  
17 family and members of the community who will remember him as a  
18 man who embraced what life had to offer and returned the best  
19 of himself; the memory of his abundant and inspiring life will  
20 be treasured in the hearts and minds of many; now therefore,

21                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
22 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That with much appreciation and  
23 gratitude, the life of Mr. Gerald DeWitt Colvin, Sr., is  
24 honored in this special tribute, and by copy of this  
25 resolution, deepest condolences are extended to his family.