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By Representatives Scott, Allen, Baker (A), Baker (L), Ball,
Bandy, Barton, Beasley, Beck, Beech, Bentley, Black, Boothe,
Boyd, Bridges, Buskey, Canfield, Clouse, Coleman, Collier,
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Harper, Hill, Hilliard, Hinshaw, Holmes, Howard, Hubbard,
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Letson, Lewis, Lindsey, Love, Martin, Mask, McAdory,
McCampbell, McClammy, McClendon, McClurkin, McCutcheon,
McDaniel, McLaughlin, McMillan, Millican, Mitchell, Moore (M),
Moore (P), Morrow, Newton (C), Newton (D), Oden, Page, Payne,
Robinson (J), Robinson (O), Rogers, Salaam, Sanderford,
Sherer, Shiver, Spicer, Taylor, Thigpen, Thomas (E), Thomas
(J), Todd, Treadaway, Vance, Ward, Warren, White, Williams
(J), Williams (P), Wood and Wren

RFD: Rules

First Read: 28-JAN-10

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. ETHEL MAE JONES BIAS.
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5 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow and regret that
6 news is received of the death of a beloved and esteemed
7 Alabamian, Mrs. Ethel Mae Jones Bias, on January 21, 2010, at
8 the age of 92 years; and

9 WHEREAS, born January 10, 1918, in Livingston,
10 Alabama, she was the daughter of Lilart and Sophia Abrams
11 Jones, and her early life was spent in a Christian home, an
12 influence that remained with her until her death; and

13 WHEREAS, after moving to Fairfield, Alabama, in
14 1942, she joined Crumbey Bethel Primitive Baptist Church,
15 where she served in many capacities, including Sanctuary
16 Choir, Missionary Society, Sunday School, and prayer meetings;
17 she also directed the Baptist Training Union and helped with
18 the Little Angels Choir; in addition, she was affiliated with
19 the local, state, and national conventions; and

20 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bias was a dedicated worker at Lloyd
21 Noland Hospital for 30 years, first on the children's ward and
22 later in the nursery, a position she held until her
23 retirement; she was also a leader in community affairs,
24 including membership in the Alabama Silver-Haired Legislature
25 as well as the Fairfield Democratic Women, the Voters' League,

1 the F.D.R. Democratic Club, the Fairfield Civic Leagues, and
2 the Corine Chapter 257 of the Order of the Eastern Star;
3 through the years, she was a conscientious worker in voter
4 registration and in assisting voters who found it difficult to
5 get to the polls; and

6 WHEREAS, she leaves to mourn her death her beloved
7 and loving husband, Leroy Bias, Sr.; three daughters, Mary
8 Elizabeth Robinson, Leona Bias, and Deborah (William)
9 Ginwright; a brother, Clarence Jones; sister-in-law, Rena
10 Bestor; eight grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; four
11 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of additional caring
12 relatives and friends; and

13 WHEREAS, in addition to her parents, she was
14 preceded in death by a brother, Johnnie Jones; sister,
15 Ernestine Jones Myles; son, Leroy Bias, Jr., and grandson,
16 Christopher Michael Robinson; and

17 WHEREAS, devoted to family, faith, and her
18 fellowman, Mrs. Bias was a valued member of the community
19 whose presence will be greatly missed by those who were
20 privileged to know her during her long and productive life;
21 now therefore,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
23 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Ethel Mae
24 Jones Bias is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution

1 is offered in highest tribute to her life of achievement and
2 service, along with heartfelt sympathy to her grieving family.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 02-FEB-10.

Greg Pappas
Clerk

Senate

17-FEB-10

Adopted