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3 By Representative Beech
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 23-FEB-10

MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. JOSEPH CRANFORD MIDDLETON.

WHEREAS, we note with deep regret the passing of Mr. Joseph Cranford Middleton of McIntosh at the age of 71 years; and

WHEREAS, a native of McIntosh, Mr. Middleton was employed as a foreman with Champion Paper for 40 years prior to his retirement; he was an avid sportsman and fan of University of Alabama football; Mr. Middleton, a member of McIntosh Baptist Church, served on the McIntosh City Council for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, a beloved son, brother, husband, father, and grandfather, Mr. Middleton was preceded in death by his parents, Aaron Harrison and Clara Inez Middleton; brother, Nathan Middleton; sister, Jeanette Elliott; and brother-in-law, Frank Escueta; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Middleton is survived by his wife, Patsy Middleton; sons, Joseph Brent (Tonya) Middleton and Barry Randall (Christy) Middleton; sisters, Marcella (Jackie) Brown, Clarice (Johnny) Weaver, Francis Escueta, and Juanita

1 (Joe) Simison; five grandchildren; and numerous other
2 relatives and friends; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Middleton's passing is a great loss to
4 his family and members of the community who will remember him
5 as a man who embraced what life had to offer and returned the
6 best of himself; the memory of his abundant and inspiring life
7 will be treasured in the hearts and minds of many; now
8 therefore,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
10 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That with much appreciation and
11 gratitude, the life of Mr. Joseph Cranford Middleton is
12 honored in this special tribute, and by copy of this
13 resolution, deepest condolences are extended to his family.