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3 By Representatives Jackson, Baker (L), Holmes, McClammy,
4 McCampbell, Fields, Thomas (J), Boyd, Bandy, Gordon, Newton
5 (D), Kennedy, Robinson (O), Moore (M), Coleman, Rogers,
6 McAdory, Hilliard, Warren, Scott, Buskey, Hall, Howard and
7 Knight

8 RFD: Rules

9 First Read: 09-FEB-10

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. RICHARD STEPHEN JORDAN,
4 JR.

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6 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow and regret that
7 news is received of the death of Mr. Richard Stephen Jordan,
8 Jr., of Montgomery, Alabama; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Jordan was a dedicated educator who
10 impacted the lives of countless students in the Montgomery
11 School System before embarking on a 22-year career with the
12 State of Alabama Department of Youth Services as the
13 Administrative Superintendent of the Mt. Meigs Campus; and

14 WHEREAS, a native Montgomerian who contributed
15 greatly to his city in many arenas, he was the son of the late
16 Vera White and Richard Jordan, Sr.; he was baptized at Dexter
17 Avenue Baptist Church and his education began at the Alabama
18 State College nursery, elementary, and laboratory high school,
19 prior to earning his Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education
20 and a Master's Degree in Education from Alabama State
21 University, followed by further studies at DePauw University;
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23 WHEREAS, Mr. Jordan was a fourth-generation
24 Dexterite, serving the church faithfully as chairman of
25 deacons and in many additional capacities; well-known for his

1 encyclopedic knowledge of the history of Montgomery, he was a
2 skillful orator who was often called upon to provide tributes
3 and remarks on important occasions; following in the footsteps
4 of his esteemed father, he played an active role in the
5 historic Montgomery Civil Rights Movement; and

6 WHEREAS, among his many roles of civic leadership,
7 he was former president of the Alpha Upsilon Lambda Chapter of
8 Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated; past chairman of the
9 Cleveland Avenue YMCA Board; former president of the Houston
10 Hill Neighborhood Association; and active member of the
11 Montgomery S.T.E.P. Foundation, the Family Guidance Center
12 Board, and Landmarks Foundation; he was also active in support
13 of his beloved alma mater; and

14 WHEREAS, he leaves to mourn his death his beloved
15 and loving wife of 52 years, Viola; daughters, Sharon V.
16 Jordan, LaFreeda M. Jordan, Richele (Daryl) Jordan-Davis, and
17 Vera B. Jordan; three grandsons, Richard, Nyles, and Bray
18 Davis; sister, Carolee I. Cunningham; brothers, James C.
19 (Willie Bell) Jordan and Thomas E. (Diane) Jordan;
20 sisters-in-law, Jean R. Jordan, Brenda Travis Jordan, Mary L.
21 Cox, Rosa Mae Howze, and Mattie J. Howze; brother-in-law,
22 Doska Law; along with a number of additional caring relatives
23 and devoted friends, and a special doctor and friend, John A.
24 Jernigan, M.D.; in addition to his parents, he was preceded in
25 death by a brother, Edwin T. Jordan; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Jordan was a natural, charismatic
2 leader who found joy through serving others and left his mark
3 on the world by the way he lived and the difference he made in
4 the many lives he touched; now therefore,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
6 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mr. Richard
7 Stephen Jordan, Jr., is recorded with deep sadness, and this
8 resolution is offered in highest tribute to his life of
9 achievement and service, along with heartfelt sympathy to his
10 grieving family.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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House of Representatives

8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
9 and was adopted by the House 11-FEB-10.

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Greg Pappas
Clerk

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Senate

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