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3 By Representative Baker (L)
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. LEON HEWETT MORRIS.
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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness and regret that
11 news is received of the death of a distinguished Alabama
12 educator and community leader, Mr. Leon Hewett Morris, at the
13 age of 66 years; and

14 WHEREAS, in the death of Mr. Morris, his loving
15 family, many friends, and the entire community have suffered
16 an inconsolable loss; and

17 WHEREAS, born in Eufaula in June 1943, he was the
18 youngest of nine children born to Joseph Lumpkin Morris and
19 Maude Satisfield Morris; while he was a student, he
20 participated in sit-ins and marches in support of the Civil
21 Rights Movement; a graduate of Alabama A&M University, he
22 began teaching at the age of 19 in Henry County, and also
23 taught mathematics at Rebecca Comer High School and later at
24 Barbour County High School in Clayton until his retirement;
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26 WHEREAS, among his many community contributions, he
27 was an active member of the Alabama Democratic Conference and

1 served one term as a County Commissioner in Barbour County;
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3 WHEREAS, he was married to the former Ruth Anglin
4 for more than 30 years, and to this union seven children were
5 born: Leon Morris, Jr., Darrion Morris, Joey Morris, Jarred
6 Morris, Faith Morris, Maudell Morris, and Samuel Morris; in
7 addition, there are two cherished grandchildren; Mr. Morris is
8 also survived by five siblings, Clemetine Morris Gilbert,
9 Albert Morris, Henry James Morris, Alvin Morris, and Roland
10 Hayes Morris; and

11 WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, he was preceded
12 in death by three siblings, Thomas V. Morris, Fletcher Joe
13 Morris, and Dorothy Morris Dyer; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Morris was a valued member of the
15 community whose presence will be greatly missed by those who
16 were privileged to know him; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mr. Leon Hewett
19 Morris is recorded with deep sadness, and by copy of this
20 resolution, heartfelt sympathy is extended to his grieving
21 family.