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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Ball, McCutcheon, Taylor,  
4 Hinshaw, Williams (P) and Hall  
5 RFD: Rules  
6 First Read: 23-FEB-10

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2       ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3                   MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. JOSEPH NELSON RUSHTON, JR.

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5               WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow and an  
6       inconsolable sense of loss that news is received of the death  
7       of Mr. Joseph Nelson "Jack" Rushton, Jr., of Huntsville,  
8       Alabama, on February 2, 2010, at the age of 67 years; and

9               WHEREAS, an alumnus of Auburn University, Mr.

10       Rushton was an esteemed and beloved teacher who had retired  
11       after 15 years of dedicated service at Challenger Middle  
12       School; he was also a retiree of R. J. Reynolds, where his  
13       career had spanned 23 years; and

14               WHEREAS, Mr. Rushton enthralled the students in his  
15       eighth-grade history class with his encyclopedic knowledge and  
16       sparkling personality; his funny stories became legendary, and  
17       students looked forward to being in his class, where his  
18       extreme optimism lifted the spirits of everyone he  
19       encountered; he was also a devoted family man and lover of  
20       music who was admired for his work ethic and strength of  
21       character; and

22               WHEREAS, he leaves to mourn his death his beloved  
23       wife, Judy Rushton; two sons and daughters-in-law, Nelson and  
24       Vivian Rushton, and Reese and Kimberly Rushton; two cherished

1                   grandchildren, Benjamin and Zachary Rushton; and a brother,  
2                   Dan Rushton; and

3                   WHEREAS, Mr. Rushton loved American history and his  
4                   students, for whom he was a combination of hero, role model,  
5                   and mentor, consistently going beyond the call of duty to have  
6                   a positive impact on the many lives he touched; through the  
7                   years, Mr. Rushton taught life lessons as well as history, and  
8                   he gave the gift of confidence to the students he motivated to  
9                   achieve their full potential; although his presence will be  
10                   greatly missed, his memory will live on in the lives of those  
11                   who were privileged to have him as a teacher and friend; now  
12                   therefore,

13                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
14                   HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mr. Joseph Nelson  
15                   Rushton, Jr., is recorded with deep sadness, and this  
16                   resolution is offered in highest tribute to his life along  
17                   with heartfelt sympathy to his grieving family and all those  
18                   he leaves bereft.

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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 25-FEB-10.

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Greg Pappas  
Clerk

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