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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. RUTH HELEN GOAD OSBORN.
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10 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive
11 news of the death of Mrs. Ruth Helen Goad Osborn on March 17,
12 2011, at the age of 88 years; and

13 WHEREAS, the passing of Mrs. Osborn leaves a void in
14 the lives of her loving family, her many friends, and the
15 entire community, where she was well-known and highly
16 regarded; and

17 WHEREAS, born in Anniston, Alabama, she had lived in
18 Gadsden most of her life; devoted to family and faith, she
19 loved her church, Cherry Street Baptist, where she served in
20 many capacities and was a longtime member of the Ruth Sunday
21 School Class, choir and WMU; she was dedicated to serving
22 others and could be counted on to help with all the details of
23 church events, preferring to stay in the background rather
24 than getting credit; and

25 WHEREAS, Mrs. Osborn was a member of the Gadsden
26 Charter Chapter of ABWA; she worked at the W.T. Grant store
27 for 17 years and also worked in the family business, OSCO

1 Mechanical Contractors; in addition, she was also one of the
2 owners of the original Fisherman Restaurant in Gadsden; and

3 WHEREAS, devoted to faith and family, Mrs. Osborn
4 was known for the excellence of her housekeeping and the high
5 standards she set; in addition, she was very generous and set
6 a great example of giving, striving to treat everyone equally
7 while expecting nothing in return; and

8 WHEREAS, she is survived by her son, Lamar (Dottie)
9 Osborn, and daughter, Babs; and

10 WHEREAS, preceding her in death were her beloved
11 husband of more than 50 years, Thomas Nunley Osborn; father,
12 Timothy Goad; mother, Jessie Mae Franklin Goad Rice; and
13 stepfather, Oscar W. Rice; and

14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Osborn was a valued member of the
15 community who made a difference in countless lives; although
16 her presence will be missed, her legacy will endure and her
17 memory will be cherished in the hearts and minds of those who
18 were fortunate to know her; now therefore,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
20 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Ruth Helen
21 Goad Osborn is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution
22 is offered in highest tribute to her life of achievement and
23 service, along with heartfelt sympathy to her grieving family.