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3 By Representative Hubbard (M)  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 29-MAR-11

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. DORRY ANN HAYES JOHNSTON  
4 BLACKBURN.

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6 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive  
7 news of the death of Mrs. Dorry Ann Hayes Johnston Blackburn  
8 of Auburn, Alabama, on March 26, 2011, at the age of 80 years;  
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10 WHEREAS, the passing of Mrs. Blackburn leaves a void  
11 in the lives of her loving family, her many friends, and the  
12 entire community, where she was well-known and highly  
13 regarded; and

14 WHEREAS, born September 12, 1930, in Birmingham, she  
15 was a 1948 graduate of Phillips High School, where she was  
16 named Miss Phillipian and received the DAR Good Citizenship  
17 Girl Award; as a student at Auburn University, she was chosen  
18 Sigma Chi Sweetheart and was named Miss Auburn; she pledged  
19 Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority and remained active throughout her  
20 life; and

21 WHEREAS, with her first husband, she established J  
22 and M Bookstore in 1953, an Auburn institution that is still  
23 run by her sons; in addition, she was instrumental in founding  
24 the Auburn Beautification Council, which implemented the  
25 "Welcome to Auburn" signs and the "Tidy Tigers" Awards; and

1                   WHEREAS, she was a faithful member of the Auburn  
2 United Methodist Church; among her many roles of community  
3 leadership, she was a member of the Green Gardeners, past  
4 president of the Auburn Women's Club, and a board member of  
5 the Auburn Cemetery Board; and

6                   WHEREAS, preceding her in death were her father,  
7 Louie Winston Hayes; and her husbands, Walter George Johnston,  
8 Jr., and John Gilmer Blackburn; and

9                   WHEREAS, she is survived by her beloved "Mama  
10 Gretel," wife of Louie Hayes, and their children, Lou Hayes  
11 and Nancy Hayes Smith; her three children, Walter George  
12 "Trey" Johnston, III, Dixie Johnston Fraley (Gray) Keller, and  
13 William Paul "Skip" (Glenda) Johnston; sister-in-law, Hazel  
14 Johnston Lee; and her grandchildren, Lauren Johnston,  
15 Elizabeth Johnston, (Paul) Johnson, Tracey Johnston, Hannah  
16 Johnston, Lydia Johnston, and Paul Johnston; she also is  
17 survived by the children and grandchildren of Gilmer  
18 Blackburn: Gay (Mark) Maloney and their children, Phyllis  
19 Maloney (Blake) Johnson, and Margaret Maloney; Lisa (Rob)  
20 Ayerst and their children, Amanda (Frank) Jemison and Allison;  
21 and Allison (Bobby) Akins and children, Anna and Lauren; and

22                   WHEREAS, Mrs. Blackburn was a valued member of the  
23 community; although her presence will be missed, her legacy  
24 will endure and her memory will be cherished in the hearts and  
25 minds of those who were fortunate to know her; now therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
2 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Dorry Ann  
3 Hayes Johnston Blackburn is recorded with deep sadness, and  
4 this resolution is offered in highest tribute to her life,  
5 along with heartfelt sympathy to her grieving family.

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4 Speaker of the House of Representatives

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6 President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in  
9 and was adopted by the House 31-MAR-11.

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Greg Pappas  
Clerk

Senate

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