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3 By Representative Ford  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 31-MAR-11

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. RUTH HELEN GOAD OSBORN.

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5 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive  
6 news of the death of Mrs. Ruth Helen Goad Osborn on March 17,  
7 2011, at the age of 88 years; and

8 WHEREAS, the passing of Mrs. Osborn leaves a void in  
9 the lives of her loving family, her many friends, and the  
10 entire community, where she was well-known and highly  
11 regarded; and

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

20 WHEREAS, Mrs. Osborn was a member of the Gadsden  
21 Charter Chapter of ABWA; she worked at the W.T. Grant store  
22 for 17 years and also worked in the family business, OSCO  
23 Mechanical Contractors; in addition, she was also one of the  
24 owners of the original Fisherman Restaurant in Gadsden; and

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

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

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

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

17                  BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Ruth Helen  
19 Goad Osborn is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution  
20 is offered in highest tribute to her life of achievement and  
21 service, 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 05-APR-11.

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