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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. SAMUEL LAWSON WARD.
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10 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive
11 news of the death of Mr. Samuel Lawson Ward of Hokes Bluff,
12 Alabama, on April 2, 2011, at the age of 77 years; and

13 WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Ward leaves a void in
14 the lives of his loving family, his many friends, and the
15 entire community, where he was well-known and highly regarded;
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17 WHEREAS, born in Hokes Bluff on September 9, 1933,
18 he was a 1951 graduate of Hokes Bluff High School; Mr. Ward
19 retired from Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company in 1995 with 36
20 years of service; through the years, he was an active member
21 of Liberty United Methodist Church, serving in many capacities
22 including administrative chairperson, lay leader, and on
23 various committees; one of his greatest pleasures was singing
24 in the choir; and

25 WHEREAS, preceding him in death were his parents,
26 Milburn and Florence Croft Ward, and brothers, Harold Ward and
27 Eddie Ward; and

1 WHEREAS, he is survived by his devoted wife of 58
2 years, Lillian Phillips Ward; children, Brenda and Mike
3 Abbott, Rodney and Cindy Ward, and Rhonda and Mike George;
4 grandchildren, Laura and Tony Ensley, Michelle and Mike
5 Davenport, Phillip and Crystal Abbott, Daniel Abbott, Wesley
6 Livingston, Savannah Ward, Phillip Lawson Ward, Joshua George,
7 and Jeremy George; great-grandchildren, Lillian and Claire
8 Ensley, Madison and Mason Davenport, and Bryson and Brady
9 Abbott; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Sue Ward, Helen
10 and Harold Tucker, Raymond and Gail Phillips, and Linda Davis;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Ward was a loving husband, father, and
13 grandfather; although his presence will be missed, his memory
14 will be cherished in the hearts and minds of those who were
15 fortunate to know him; now therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
17 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. Samuel
18 Lawson Ward is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution
19 is offered in tribute to his life, along with heartfelt
20 sympathy to his grieving family.