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3 By Representative Milligan
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 12-APR-11

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. RAYMOND WAYNE COBB, SR.

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5 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive
6 news of the death of our friend and former colleague, Mr.
7 Raymond Wayne Cobb, Sr., of Hamilton, Alabama, on March 23,
8 2011, at the age of 79 years; and

9 WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Cobb leaves a void in
10 the lives of his loving family, his many friends, and the
11 entire community, where he was well-known and highly regarded
12 as an educator and civic leader; he served effectively in the
13 Alabama House of Representatives from 1979-83 and was credited
14 with many accomplishments including widening Norfolk Bridge
15 and repealing the five percent tax on electricity in his
16 district; and

17 WHEREAS, born June 12, 1931, in Harvest, Alabama, he
18 was the son of Walter Raymond and Lois Kennedy Cobb and was a
19 1950 graduate of Huntsville High School; he served his country
20 with honor and distinction from 1950-1952 during the Korean
21 War, attaining the rank of Corporal; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Cobb earned a Bachelor of Science
23 Degree in Business from the University of North Alabama in
24 1957 and a Master of Arts Degree in School Administration from
25 The University of Alabama in 1961; and

1 WHEREAS, his early career in education included:
2 classroom teacher at T.R. Rogers High School in Greenhill,
3 Alabama, 1957; classroom teacher at Winfield High School,
4 1958; business teacher at Hamilton High School, 1959;
5 principal of Hackleburg High School, 1960-61; and principal of
6 Clayton High School 1961-62; and

7 WHEREAS, from 1962-64, he served as a United States
8 Treasury Agent (ATF), having been valedictorian of his class
9 and a sharpshooter; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Cobb returned to Marion County to help
11 establish Northwest State Technical College (now Bevill State
12 Community College) and served as dean from 1964-1981 and
13 president from 1981-89, focusing on aviation and the nursing
14 programs; upon his retirement, the school had a \$1 million
15 budget surplus; and

16 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Pleasant Grove
17 Baptist Church; among his roles of civic leadership, he was
18 active in the Lions Club and Elks Lodge, a member of the
19 Masons, Zamora Temple Chapter of the Shriners, the VFW, and
20 the Sons of the American Revolution; he was a lifetime member
21 of the National Rifle Association and loved to hunt, fish, and
22 cook; and

23 WHEREAS, he is survived by his beloved wife of 56
24 years, Enid Mays Cobb; two children, Susan Enid Cobb and Dr.
25 Raymond Wayne Cobb, Jr.; daughter-in-law, Kathryn Corinne

1 Thomas Cobb; four grandchildren, Wyatt Edward, Lois Corinne,
2 Sarah Kathryn, and Kennedy Mays Cobb; and a host of other
3 relatives and friends; and

4 WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, he was preceded
5 in death by an infant son, James Larkin Cobb; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Cobb loved spending time with family
7 and friends and was known as a brilliant and entertaining
8 storyteller; although his presence will be missed, his memory
9 will be cherished in the hearts and minds of those who were
10 fortunate to know him; now therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mr. Raymond Wayne
13 Cobb, Sr., is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution
14 is offered in highest tribute to his life of achievement and
15 service, along with heartfelt sympathy to his 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

7 House of Representatives

8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
9 and was adopted by the House 14-APR-11.

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Greg Pappas
Clerk

Senate

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