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3 By Representative Ford  
4 RFD:  
5 First Read: 24-MAY-11

8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. JOHN WESLEY COOKS.  
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10 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive  
11 news of the death of Mr. John Wesley Cooks of Gadsden,  
12 Alabama, on May 4, 2011; and

13 WHEREAS, the death of Mr. Cooks leaves a void in the  
14 lives of his loving family, friends, and the entire community;  
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16 WHEREAS, he leaves to cherish his memory a devoted  
17 wife, Mrs. Elise J. Cooks; children, Minister John Cooks, Jr.,  
18 (Minister Elizabeth), Sandra Trimuel (Elliott), Derrick Cooks  
19 (Ann), Jennie Weston (Tony), and Eric Cooks; a chosen son,  
20 Petty Officer First Class Lance Simmons; sisters, Nettie  
21 Jennings (Clabin), Carrie Butler, Lula Owens (Marcell), and  
22 Minnie Thomas; 13 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren;  
23 mother-in-law, Sarah Jennings; three sisters-in-law, six  
24 brothers-in-law, and a host of nieces, nephews, and other  
25 family members; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Cooks, a loving husband, father, and  
27 friend, will be missed, his memory will be cherished in the

1                   hearts and minds of those who were fortunate to know him; now  
2                   therefore,

3                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
4                   THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. John Wesley  
5                   Cooks is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is  
6                   offered in tribute to his life, along with heartfelt sympathy  
7                   to his grieving family.