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3 By Senators Ross, Allen, Beasley, Beason, Bedford, Blackwell,  
4 Brewbaker, Brooks, Bussman, Coleman, Dial, Dunn, Fielding,  
5 Figures, Glover, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahen, Marsh,  
6 McGill, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Sanders, Sanford, Scofield,  
7 Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Taylor, Waggoner, Ward, Whatley,  
8 and Williams

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8 MOURNING THE UNTIMELY DEATH OF JOSEPH RAYMOND  
9 CROSBY, III.

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11 WHEREAS, while we note with sadness the untimely  
12 death of Joseph Raymond "Ray" Crosby, III, of Montgomery,  
13 Alabama, on January 29, 2012, we commend and celebrate his  
14 invaluable 65 years of life with thanksgiving; and

15 WHEREAS, Ray was a graduate of the University of  
16 Alabama and John Marshall School of Law; he was a valued  
17 legislative analyst for the Alabama Legislative Reference  
18 Service for 30 years and served as a member of the First  
19 Legislative Task Force of the Alabama State Bar; and

20 WHEREAS, Ray was a dedicated member of the Episcopal  
21 Church of the Ascension in Montgomery where he was involved  
22 with several ministries at the Church, including Family  
23 Promise, Beans and Rice Ministry, and the Wednesday night New  
24 Beginnings tutoring program; and

25 WHEREAS, among those left to mourn his untimely  
26 death and cherish his life are his children, Joseph Raymond  
27 Crosby, IV, and Sarah Ann Crosby; his siblings and their

1                   spouses, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Augustus Smith, Ms. Martha Bayley  
2                   Crosby, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Neil Crosby, Mr. and Mrs. Miller  
3                   Williams, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lanier; and

4                   WHEREAS, a resident of Montgomery, Alabama, for most  
5                   of his life, he served the community by volunteering with the  
6                   YMCA Soccer Program, raising funds for the YMCA indoor soccer  
7                   facility, supporting the Montgomery Academy as an active  
8                   volunteer, and raising funds for the Alabama Cancer Society  
9                   through A Vintage Affair; and

10                  WHEREAS, he enjoyed his family and many lifelong  
11                  friends, all of whom are greatly saddened by his loss; he will  
12                  be missed, but his memory will be forever treasured in the  
13                  hearts of those whose lives he shared; now therefore,

14                  BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE LEGISLATURE OF  
15                  ALABAMA, That even as we grieve the untimely death of Joseph  
16                  Raymond Crosby, III, it is appropriate to express our sincere  
17                  gratitude for his life, and we offer this resolution to his  
18                  family with heartfelt sympathy and condolence.