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3 By Representative Hall
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF DR. ALMA FOGGO YORK.
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10 WHEREAS, with an overwhelming sense of loss, we
11 receive news of the death of Dr. Alma Foggo York of
12 Huntsville, Alabama, on February 9, 2012, at the age of 74
13 years; and

14 WHEREAS, the tragic death of Dr. York leaves a void
15 in the lives of her loving family, her many friends, and the
16 entire community, where she was highly regarded; she enjoyed a
17 distinguished career at Oakwood University and was a prominent
18 figure in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, known nationally
19 to the level of the White House and worldwide by heads of
20 government; and

21 WHEREAS, a graduate of the Harvard School of Public
22 Health, she held the distinction of being the first Black
23 instructor of nursing at Boston Hospital for Women; she served
24 as head of the Nursing Department at Union College in Nebraska
25 before coming to Oakwood University as Director of Nursing;
26 she was employed from 1982-1997 and held a number of positions
27 including Director of International Programs and Government

1 Affairs, Associate Dean of Women, and Director of Placement
2 Services; and

3 WHEREAS, she will be remembered as a trailblazer,
4 esteemed health care professional, dedicated academician, and
5 concerned community activist; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. York was a valued member of the
7 community; although her presence will be greatly missed, her
8 legacy will endure and her memory will be cherished in the
9 hearts and minds of those who were fortunate to know her; now
10 therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
12 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Dr. Alma Foggo
13 York is recorded with deepest sadness and, by copy of this
14 resolution to her daughter, Lisa Cox, we convey our heartfelt
15 sympathy to her family, whose grief is shared by many.