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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. DONALD M. ANDERSON.  
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10 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive  
11 news of the death of Mr. Donald M. Anderson of Attalla,  
12 Alabama, on March 4, 2012, at the age of 84 years; and

13 WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Donald M. Anderson  
14 leaves a void in the lives of his loving family, his many  
15 friends, and the entire community, where he was highly  
16 regarded; and

17 WHEREAS, a native of Aurora, he resided in Attalla  
18 most of his life; he served in World War II in the 82nd  
19 Airborne and was the first man to jump from a C-82 in  
20 Normandy; in 1948, he received an honorable discharge; he  
21 married the love of his life and wife, Mary Frances Wilson in  
22 1949; throughout his life, he was employed with Bessemer Pipe,  
23 Attalla Pipe, McClain's Dairy, and the Marshall Space Flight  
24 Center and worked as the City of Attalla "Building Inspector";  
25 he was retired from Republic Steel; and

26 WHEREAS, an active member of the Lions Club, he  
27 received Lion of the Year two consecutive years; in 1971, he

1 and his wife established Anderson's Shoes and Boots; after  
2 retirement, he worked at their business until 2010; he  
3 attended CrossPoint Community Church; and

4 WHEREAS, survivors include one brother, Thomas  
5 Anderson; one sister, Patricia Strickland; two daughters,  
6 Deborah (Danny) Ford and Tammy Fuhrman; six grandchildren,  
7 Jennifer Ford, Ashleigh Edwards, Elizabeth Ford, Hayley  
8 (Stephen) Norman, Lee Ford, and Miller Fuhrman; five  
9 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews; he was  
10 preceded in death by his beloved and devoted wife, Mary  
11 Frances Anderson; parents, William and Della Mae Anderson;  
12 brothers, Bevard Anderson, Rudolf Anderson, and Howell  
13 Anderson; and sister, Kastell Goss; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Donald M. Anderson was a valued member  
15 of the community; although his presence will be greatly  
16 missed, his memory will be cherished in the hearts and minds  
17 of those who were fortunate to know him; now therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
19 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. Donald M.  
20 Anderson is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is  
21 offered in highest tribute to his life, along with heartfelt  
22 sympathy to his grieving family.