

1 HJR298
2 139056-3
3 By Representative Carns
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 20-MAR-12

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. MORRIS MICHAEL GEE.

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5 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive
6 news of the death of Mr. Morris Michael Gee of Birmingham,
7 Alabama, on March 5, 2012, at the age of 66 years; and

8 WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Gee leaves a void in the
9 lives of his loving family, his many friends, and the entire
10 community, where he was highly regarded; and

11 WHEREAS, born in Birmingham on October 28, 1945, he
12 was the son of Helen and Taylor Gee; he was a graduate of
13 Birmingham University School where he served as president of
14 the student body; he earned a Bachelor of Science in Marketing
15 in 1968 and a MA in Marketing in 1969 from The University of
16 Alabama, where he was a president of Sigma Alpha Epsilon
17 Fraternity and was a member of a number of organizations at
18 the University including Omicron Delta Kappa; and

19 WHEREAS, he served as an intelligence officer in the
20 U.S. Air Force, Alabama National Guard; in 1969, he became
21 president of his father's business, The Pants Store; with much
22 dedication, he served the Birmingham community as well as the
23 state and was a member of state and local organizations; he
24 served as president of the Leeds Chamber of Commerce and as a
25 board member for 24 years; as secretary and treasurer of the

1 Kiwanis Club of Birmingham, as president of the Leeds Library
2 Foundation, as president of the Mountain Brook Adjustment and
3 Zoning Board, as president-elect of the Alabama Retail
4 Association, as member of Board of Directors of Am South Bank
5 in the Birmingham area, as member of the Retail Advisory Board
6 for The University of Alabama, and as regional co-captain of
7 the Tuscaloosa Capital Campaign; and

8 WHEREAS, a long-time member of Canterbury United
9 Methodist Church, he contributed his time as chairman of the
10 Personnel Committee, Finance Committee, and Long-Range
11 Steering Committee and former president of the Crawford Owen
12 Sunday School Class; he worked as a part-time instructor of
13 management and marketing at UAB; he gave his sons, Michael and
14 John, the responsibility of managing The Pants Store; he
15 served as full-time teacher and director of UAB's internship
16 program; he loved teaching and enthusiastically mentored and
17 encouraged his students, helping them reach their full
18 potential; and

19 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted
20 wife of 44 years, Harriet Hicks Gee; two sons, Morris Michael
21 (Melanie) Gee, Jr., and John Hicks (Kathleen) Gee; and four
22 beautiful grandchildren, Mae Grace, Morris Michael III,
23 Cecelia Kathleen, and Caroline Evelyn; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Gee was a valued member of the
25 community, although his presence will be greatly missed, his

1 memory will be cherished in the hearts and minds of those who
2 were fortunate to know him; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
4 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mr. Morris
5 Michael Gee is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution
6 is offered in highest tribute to his life, along with
7 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

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8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
9 and was adopted by the House 22-MAR-12.

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Greg Pappas
Clerk

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