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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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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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

Greg Pappas  
Clerk

Senate

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