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3 By Representatives Sanderford, Patterson, Johnson (W),
4 McCutcheon, Williams (P) and Hall
5 RFD: Rules
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. CLAUDINE SMITH BALL.
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10 WHEREAS, it is with an overwhelming sense of loss
11 that we mourn the death of Mrs. Claudine Smith Ball of
12 Hartselle, Alabama, on April 6, 2013, at the age of 78 years;
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14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ball's passing leaves a void in many
15 lives; she was a beloved member of the extended family of the
16 Alabama Legislature, the mother of Representative Mike Ball;
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18 WHEREAS, born on February 2, 1935, in Morgan County,
19 she was the daughter of Grady L. Smith and Alma Neomi Pate
20 Smith; and

21 WHEREAS, devoted to family and faith, she was a
22 longtime member of Hartselle First Church of the Nazarene; she
23 retired from Prestolite in Decatur after 33 years of service;
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25 WHEREAS, she was predeceased by her parents and her
26 husband, Leldon Ball; and

1 WHEREAS, in addition to Representative Ball and his
2 wife, Debbie, she is survived by another son, Randy Ball, and
3 two daughters, Angie Wilemon and her husband, Tim, and Linda
4 Nelson and her husband, J.R.; eight grandchildren; 11
5 great-grandchildren; and her caregiver, Dena Childers; and

6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ball was a valued member of the
7 community, earning respect for her indomitable spirit;
8 although her presence will be greatly missed, her memory will
9 be cherished in the hearts of those who were fortunate to know
10 her; now therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Claudine
13 Smith Ball is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution
14 is offered in highest tribute to her life along with heartfelt
15 sympathy to her family, whose grief is shared by many.