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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF REVEREND HORACE NATHANIEL
9 SNODGRASS.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we mourn
12 the death of Reverend Horace Nathaniel "Nat" Snodgrass of
13 Huntsville, Alabama, on February 19, 2013, at the age of 71
14 years; and

15 WHEREAS, his passing leaves a void in the lives of
16 his loving family and his many friends; and

17 WHEREAS, born on May 31, 1941, in Scottsboro,
18 Alabama, he was the son of the late Dr. H.P. and Katherine
19 Walker Snodgrass, the eldest of five siblings; he attended
20 Alabama A and M University, where he marched and played
21 trumpet in the band; he served with honor and distinction in
22 the United States Army during the Vietnam War and answered the
23 call to the ministry following his military service; and

24 WHEREAS, after ministering for several years under
25 his father at First Missionary Baptist Church, he was called
26 to pastor the Freeman Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church in
27 Moulton, Alabama; Reverend Snodgrass became known to many as a

1 Moses in the Moulton community, providing leadership to a
2 congregation and a community desperately in need of a
3 shepherd; among his achievements, he was instrumental in the
4 addition of an Education Building that was named in his honor
5 in recognition of his commitment to Christian Education; and

6 WHEREAS, in 1974, he was applauded for breaking the
7 racial barrier by forming a joint worship service with Moulton
8 Baptist Church, a fellowship revisited in 2003 on the 134th
9 Church Anniversary Celebration of Freeman Tabernacle; along
10 with his many ministerial accomplishments, he was cited for
11 many special awards and recognitions through the years; after
12 leading this flock for four decades, he became the Pastor
13 Emeritus of Freeman Tabernacle, and his grandchildren were his
14 greatest joy in retirement; and

15 WHEREAS, he leaves to cherish his memory his loving
16 wife, Margie; sons, Jonathan (Lisa) Snodgrass and Dante'
17 (Jenny) Snodgrass; mother, Georgia P. Snodgrass; sister,
18 Antoinette (Cleveland) Wilson; brother, Dr. Wayne P.
19 Snodgrass; sisters-in-law, Eleanor Snodgrass and Gwendolyn
20 Wisdom; brother-in-law, Alexander Wisdom, Jr.; special nephew,
21 Alexander "Tre" Wisdom, III; grandchildren, Kennady, Dante',
22 Kendall, Sydney, and Avery; and a host of other nieces,
23 nephews and friends; he was predeceased by two siblings, Lamar
24 and Benny, and sister-in-law, Lady Evelyn Snodgrass; and

25 WHEREAS, Reverend Snodgrass was a valued member of
26 the community; although his presence will be greatly missed,

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

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
4 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Reverend Horace
5 Nathaniel Snodgrass is recorded with deep sadness, and this
6 resolution is offered in tribute to his life along with
7 heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is shared by
8 many.