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3 By Representative Jackson
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 05-MAR-13

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,
3 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. JOHN LEE MARTIN.
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5 WHEREAS, we note the death of Mr. John Lee Martin on
6 February 17, 2013, with deep sadness; we celebrate and commend
7 his immeasurable life with thanksgiving; and

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

11 WHEREAS, born November 8, 1932, in Grove Hill,
12 Alabama, he was the son of the late Walter Lee and Gertrude
13 Dickinson Martin; he confessed Christ at an early age and
14 joined Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Grove Hill, Alabama; after
15 relocating to Thomasville with his parents, he joined New Hope
16 No. 1 Missionary Baptist Church; he attended public school in
17 Thomasville, graduating in 1951; he served two years in the
18 United States Army and moved to Chicago, Illinois, where he
19 worked with the Georgia Nut Company, retiring after 33 years
20 of outstanding service; and

21 WHEREAS, survivors include a loving, very devoted
22 daughter and caregiver, Patsy Ruth (Napoleon) Smith, Sr.; two
23 grandsons, Napoleon (Yolanda) Smith, Jr., and Nicholas Smith,
24 Sr.; six great-grandchildren, Jordan, Romel, Donta, Alexis,
25 Kianna, and Nicholas, Jr.; three sisters, Joyce Walker

1 (Jarried Rivers), Wynderlyn Benjamin, and Sherron (Alfonza)
2 McCoy; two sisters-in-law, Doris Martin and Loretta Anderson;
3 a lifelong friend, Mrs. Pearlie Davis; a loving friend, Ms.
4 Emma Johnson; four god-grandchildren, Tammy Johnson, Kia
5 Johnson, Terry Rogers, and Son Rogers; six devoted cousins and
6 god-sisters, Juanita Malone, Gaynette Reasor Ford, Martha
7 Burroughs, Bessie Washington, Emma (James) Nobles, and Dorothy
8 Allen; an adopted daughter, Ann Pope; two devoted cousins,
9 Tread and LeDora Woods; a devoted nephew, Larry (Gaynell)
10 Walker; two devoted nieces, Angelia Martin and Felicia (Roger)
11 McBride; and a host of other adored family members; he was
12 preceded in death by his father, Walter Lee Martin; mothers,
13 Gertrude Martin and Grace Martin; brothers, Oneal Martin and
14 W.C. Anderson; sister, Gloria Winston; and god-sisters, Amanda
15 Garrett and Mattie Allen; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Martin was a valued member of the
17 community; although his presence is greatly missed, his memory
18 will be cherished in the hearts and minds of those who were
19 fortunate enough to know him; now therefore,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
21 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That while grieving the death of
22 Mr. John Lee Martin, we are grateful for his abundant life and
23 we offer this resolution in highest tribute to his legacy, as
24 well as in heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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 09-APR-13.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

18-APR-13

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