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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. ADDIS EARLINE THORNTON.  
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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we mourn  
11 the death of Mrs. Addis Earline Thornton of Tuscaloosa,  
12 Alabama, on April 10, 2013, at the age of 86 years; and

13 WHEREAS, her passing leaves a void in the lives of  
14 her loving family and her many friends; and

15 WHEREAS, born on March 28, 1927, in Walker County,  
16 she retired from a career with BellSouth after more than 30  
17 years; after retirement, she served as president of Telephone  
18 Pioneers on two occasions and volunteered at the Druid City  
19 Hospital gift shop for several years; she was a member of  
20 Forest Lake Baptist Church, past member of the Tuscaloosa  
21 County Democratic Committee, and a volunteer in many local,  
22 state, and federal political campaigns; and

23 WHEREAS, most recently, she volunteered at Wings of  
24 Grace, a service organization formed by Forest Lake Baptist  
25 Church after the devastating tornado outbreak of April 2011;  
26 she was an avid gardener, spending many hours grooming her



1       lawn and flower garden, and also took pleasure in patrolling  
2       the Forest Lake neighborhood; and

3               WHEREAS, she was predeceased by her husband of 27  
4       years, Boyce Dayton Thornton, Sr.; parents, Walter and Savilla  
5       Sherer Brown; two brothers; and a sister; and

6               WHEREAS, survivors include her son, Boyce Dayton  
7       Thornton, Jr.; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives,  
8       and friends; and

9               WHEREAS, Mrs. Thornton was a valued member of the  
10       community; although her presence will be greatly missed, her  
11       memory will be cherished in the hearts of those who were  
12       fortunate to know her; now therefore,

13              BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
14       THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mrs. Addis  
15       Earline Thornton is recorded with deep sadness, and this  
16       resolution is offered with heartfelt sympathy to her family,  
17       whose grief is shared by many.