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3 By Representative Buskey  
4 RFD:  
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. WILLIE MAE DEAN GOLDEN.  
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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we mourn  
11 the death of Mrs. Willie Mae Dean Golden on August 2, 2013, at  
12 the age of 93 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 October 18, 1909, in Claiborne,  
16 Alabama, she was the daughter of Minus and Ella Agee Dean; and

17 WHEREAS, she confessed Christ at an early age at Mt.  
18 Zion Baptist Church in Claiborne before uniting with Mt. Zion  
19 Baptist Church in Mobile, Alabama, where she served faithfully  
20 for 77 years and was one of the oldest members; she was an  
21 active member of the Sunday School, Missionary Society, Loyal  
22 Workers Club, and the Bible Class; and

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Golden was a longtime member of the  
24 National Council of Negro Women; among her well-deserved  
25 honors, she was one of the recipients of the 2005 Senior  
26 Citizens of the Year Awards from the Mobile City Federation of  
27 Women and Youth Clubs; she was also recognized as a Senior of

1 the Month by the Golden Eagles Senior Ministry of Mt. Zion  
2 Baptist Church; in addition, a plaque was presented to her at  
3 the 123rd Church Anniversary in tribute to her dedicated  
4 service over the years; and

5 WHEREAS, she was pleased to cast her ballot in the  
6 historic United States Presidential election in 2008 and to  
7 receive a special birthday greeting and recognition as a  
8 Centenarian by President Barack Obama in 2009; and

9 WHEREAS, in addition to her parents, she was  
10 predeceased by her sister, Josephine Dean Washington;  
11 brothers, Eugene Dean and Agee Dean; and her husband of 67  
12 years, Theodore R. Golden, Sr.; and

13 WHEREAS, she leaves to cherish her memory five  
14 children, Ella G. Johnson, Theodore R. Golden, Jr., Violet G.  
15 (Albert) Lowery, Edward D. (Edna Maxine) Golden, and Ollye G.  
16 (James) Davis; 11 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and a  
17 host of great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins,  
18 and other relatives; and

19 WHEREAS, Mrs. Golden was a beloved and valued member  
20 of the community; although her presence will be greatly  
21 missed, her legacy will endure in the hearts of those who were  
22 fortunate to know her; now therefore,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
24 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mrs. Willie Mae  
25 Dean Golden is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution  
26 is offered in highest tribute to her life and with heartfelt  
27 sympathy to her family, whose grief is shared by many.

