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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. WALTER WAYNE NESBITT.  
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10 WHEREAS, we note the death of Mr. Walter Wayne  
11 Nesbitt of Gadsden, Alabama, on March 13, 2014; his  
12 immeasurable life of 79 years is commended and celebrated with  
13 great thanksgiving; and

14 WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Nesbitt leaves a void in  
15 the lives of his loving family, many friends, and the entire  
16 community, where he was highly regarded; and

17 WHEREAS, born September 17, 1934, in Birmingham,  
18 Alabama, he moved to Gadsden with his family in 1942 and  
19 graduated from Gadsden High School in 1952; a 1956 graduate of  
20 Auburn University, where he was a member of Kappa Sigma  
21 Fraternity, he joined the family business, Nesbitt Motor Co.,  
22 in Gadsden; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Nesbitt married Sonya Head Nesbitt in  
24 1957 and remained in Gadsden as owner of Nesbitt Equipment  
25 Company and later as a local businessman; he became a licensed  
26 Methodist minister and local pastor; churches he faithfully  
27 and devotedly served include Whorton Bend Methodist, Trinity

1 Methodist, Walnut Grove/Pine Grove Methodist and Valley Head  
2 Methodist; he was very active in his church as a member of the  
3 Martin Fellowship Class, Board of Stewards, and the choir; and

4 WHEREAS, civically minded, Mr. Nesbitt was involved  
5 in a number of social organizations including the Intersae  
6 Club, Serendipity, and Autumnal Club; and

7 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted  
8 wife, Sonya Head Nesbitt; children, Scott Nesbitt, Rebecca  
9 (Ree) Nesbitt Mihelic (Matt), and Loren (David) Nesbitt  
10 McGhinnas; grandchildren, Melinda (Jack) Mihelic Brock,  
11 Matthew Mihelic, Kaydee Nesbitt, Michael Mihelic, Bro. Bernard  
12 Johnathan Denson O.S.B., Taryn Nesbitt, Nathan Denson, Robert  
13 Mihelic, Daniela Nesbitt, and Riley Nesbitt; sister, Harriett  
14 Nesbitt Thompson; and brother-in-law, Quinn Head; he was  
15 preceded in death by his parents, Walter P. Nesbitt and Marie  
16 Simonton Nesbitt; and

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

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
22 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That while grieving the death of  
23 Mr. Walter Wayne Nesbitt, we are highly grateful for his  
24 abundant life, and we offer this resolution in highest tribute  
25 to his legacy, as well as in heartfelt sympathy to his family  
26 and friends.