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3 By Senators Orr, Allen, Beasley, Beason, Bedford, Blackwell,
4 Brewbaker, Bussman, Coleman, Dial, Dunn, Fielding, Figures,
5 Glover, Hightower, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahey, Marsh,
6 McGill, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford, Scofield,
7 Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Taylor, Waggoner, Ward, Whatley
8 and Williams
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10 First Read: 05-MAR-14

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4 ENROLLED, SJR73,

5 MOURNING THE DEATH OF FORMER ALABAMA SENATOR TOMMY
6 ED ROBERTS.

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8 WHEREAS, we note the death of former Alabama Senator
9 Tommy Ed Roberts of Hartselle, Alabama, with deep sadness and
10 regret; his immeasurable life of 73 years is commended and
11 celebrated with great thanksgiving; and

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

15 WHEREAS, born October 19, 1940, in Morgan County, he
16 was the son of Luther E. Roberts and Katherine Hewlett
17 Roberts; he joined First United Methodist Church, of which he
18 has been a lifetime member, as a boy, when his grandfather,
19 Reverend Roy Hewlett, served as minister; and

20 WHEREAS, early in his career, he and his family
21 owned and operated Roberts' Men's Wear in Decatur; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Roberts was first elected to the House
23 of Representatives in 1974; he served two terms before taking
24 a 12-year hiatus; he was elected again in 1994 and served
25 three more terms; and

1 WHEREAS, a dedicated and effective public servant,
2 Mr. Roberts served with exceptional capability and worked
3 tirelessly to improve the lives of all Alabamians; and

4 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted
5 wife of 55 years, Pat Hogan Roberts; his son and
6 daughter-in-law, Andy and Cindy Roberts; his daughter and
7 son-in-law, Stacey Roberts Wade and Dr. Freddie Wade;
8 stepmother, Mable Roberts; and his sister and brother-in-law,
9 Edna Carol Weeks and Jerry Weeks; and six grandchildren; and

10 WHEREAS, through the years, Senator Roberts earned
11 immense respect for his tireless dedication and exceptional
12 abilities; and

13 WHEREAS, Senator Roberts was a valued member of the
14 community; although his presence is greatly missed, his memory
15 is cherished in the hearts and minds of all those who were
16 fortunate enough to know him; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That while grieving the death of
19 former Alabama Senator Tommy Ed Roberts, we are immensely
20 grateful for his abundant life, and we offer this resolution
21 in highest tribute to his inspiring legacy, as well as in
22 heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris
Secretary

House of Representatives
Adopted: 19-MAR-14

By: Senator Orr