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3 By Senators McGill, Allen, Beasley, Beason, Bedford,  
4 Blackwell, Brewbaker, Bussman, Coleman, Dial, Dunn, Fielding,  
5 Figures, Glover, Hightower, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahey,  
6 Marsh, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford, Scofield,  
7 Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Taylor, Waggoner, Ward, Whatley,  
8 and Williams  
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4 ENROLLED, SJR100,

5 COMMENDING JACKSON COUNTY HISTORIAN ANN BARBEE  
6 CHAMBLESS.

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8 WHEREAS, Ann Barbee Chambless, a native Jackson  
9 Countian, was editor of her elementary school newspaper,  
10 sparking a lifelong interest in writing and publishing; and

11 WHEREAS, she was salutatorian of the Jackson County  
12 High School Class of 1954, and married her high school  
13 sweetheart, Joseph DeLee Chambless, just three months after  
14 graduation; and

15 WHEREAS, in 1971, the couple welcomed a son, Heath,  
16 and in 2010, a grandson, Joe; and

17 WHEREAS, Ann Barbee Chambless attended the  
18 University of Alabama in Huntsville and spent her professional  
19 career as a wife, mother, homemaker, community leader,  
20 genealogist, and historian, as well as holding positions at  
21 the George C. Marshall Space Flight Center and in child  
22 development and nutrition; and

23 WHEREAS, Ann Barbee Chambless' lasting legacy to the  
24 people of her community, state, and nation arises from her  
25 innumerable civic and historic preservation activities,

1 including church member, regent of the Tidence Lane Chapter of  
2 the Daughters of the American Revolution, State Historian of  
3 the Alabama Society of the Daughters of the American  
4 Revolution, and member of the Huguenot Society of America; in  
5 addition, she served as president of the Friends of the  
6 Scottsboro Public Library and compiled 25 years of service on  
7 that library's Board of Directors as member, secretary, and  
8 twice as president, with her service culminating in the  
9 christening of the library's genealogy department as "The Ann  
10 B. Chambless Genealogy Room"; and

11 WHEREAS, in 1974, Ann Barbee Chambless organized,  
12 founded, and has been the main driving engine of the Jackson  
13 County Historical Association and, for almost 40 years,  
14 researched, compiled, edited, wrote, published, stuffed,  
15 stamped, and mailed "The Jackson County Chronicles," quarterly  
16 newsletter of the JCHA, and volunteered hours upon hours to  
17 preserve and restore the Scottsboro Freight Depot into a  
18 museum; and

19 WHEREAS, no individual, institution, or group has  
20 worked harder, shown greater stubborn determination, or done  
21 more to discover, share, and preserve the history of Jackson  
22 County than Ann Barbee Chambless; and

23 WHEREAS, Ann Barbee Chambless has used her God-given  
24 talents, her wisdom, her good nature, her creativity, her  
25 sense of humor in service to the people of Jackson County,

1 Alabama, past, present, and future, labors which have achieved  
2 an unequalled body of work that will stand forever as the  
3 scholarly, definitive, and authoritative corpus of local  
4 history; and

5 WHEREAS, Ann Barbee Chambless has led the Jackson  
6 County Historical Association into its 40th year of public  
7 service and its greatest achievement to date comes when it  
8 welcomes people from all across our state to the annual  
9 conference of the Alabama Historical Association, meeting in  
10 Scottsboro and Jackson County in April 2014; now therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the good works of Ann Barbee  
13 Chambless are hereby gratefully acknowledged, and it is  
14 directed that a copy of this resolution of tribute be provided  
15 to her with best wishes in all future worthy endeavors.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 19-MAR-14

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

Patrick Harris  
Secretary

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House of Representatives  
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By: Senator McGill