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3 By Representative Jackson
4 RFD:
5 First Read: 09-APR-15

8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. JOHN LEO SMITH.
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10 WHEREAS, we mourn the death of Mr. John Leo Smith of
11 Grove Hill, Alabama, on April 6, 2015, with deep sadness and
12 regret; his invaluable life of 90 years is commended and
13 celebrated with tremendous thanksgiving; and

14 WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Smith 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, Mr. Smith was born August 6, 1924, to the
18 union of Joe and Mary Odom Smith; he served with much honor
19 and distinction as a US Marine in World War II and worked in
20 the civilian community as a truck driver; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith joined the Orange Hill Baptist
22 Church in Grove, Hill, Alabama, at an early age and served as
23 an usher, deacon, and Sunday School Teacher as well as a
24 volunteer at the Grove Hill Senior Citizens Center; and

25 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted
26 wife, Allie Mae Smith; three sons, John (Debra) Smith, Alton
27 (Betty) Smith, and Ashford Smith; 11 grandchildren; and a

1 number of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other
2 friends and relatives; he is preceded in death by his parents;
3 a brother, Ike Smith; and a sister, Carrie Smith; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was a valued member of the
5 community; although his presence is greatly missed, his memory
6 is cherished in the hearts and minds of all those who were
7 fortunate enough to know him; now therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
9 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That while grieving the death of
10 Mr. John Leo Smith, we are extremely grateful for his abundant
11 life, and we offer this resolution in highest tribute to his
12 inspiring legacy, as well as in heartfelt sympathy to his
13 family and friends.