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3 By Representative Tuggle
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
9 RICHARD KENT HANBY.

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11 WHEREAS, with an overwhelming sense of loss, we
12 mourn the death, yet celebrate the life, of Richard Kent
13 Hanby, whose passing on November 14, 2015, at the age of 77
14 years, left a void in the lives of his loving family and
15 friends; he will be remembered as an inspiration to the
16 countless numbers whose lives he touched; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Hanby, formerly of Dadeville, and
18 Birmingham, Alabama, served four years active duty with the
19 United States Navy; he graduated from Auburn University and
20 received a Master of Forestry from Yale University; his
21 forestry career spanned over 50 years and he was respected for
22 his vast knowledge and skills in the prescribed fire field
23 across the Southeast; and

24 WHEREAS, after working around the country in various
25 forestry positions, Mr. Hanby returned to Alabama in 1982 to
26 work as state lands manager for the Alabama Department of
27 Conservation and Natural Resources; in 1993, he returned to

1 Auburn to serve as Director of Student Services and instructor
2 of Fire Management; although he retired in 2003, he continued
3 to teach fire management part time leading Alabama Certified
4 Prescribed Burn Manager workshops until 2014; and

5 WHEREAS, left to cherish his memory are his wife of
6 52 years, Janice, two daughters, two sons, nine grandchildren,
7 one sister, one niece, one nephew, and a host of other
8 relatives, family, and friends; and

9 WHEREAS, his passion for life will be remembered
10 fondly; Mr. Hanby was a valued member of the community and was
11 loved by many; his presence will be greatly missed and his
12 memory will be cherished in the hearts and minds of those who
13 were fortunate to know him; now therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
15 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Richard Kent
16 Hanby is recorded with deep sadness, and even as we mourn his
17 death, we also celebrate his life; this resolution is offered
18 in highest tribute to his life, along with heartfelt sympathy
19 to his family and friends, whose grief is shared by many.