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3 By Representatives Hurst, Faulkner, Davis and Boyd
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF MR.
9 ROBERT EUGENE MCBRIDE.
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11 WHEREAS, we deeply regret and are greatly saddened
12 to learn of the death of Mr. Robert Eugene McBride of Camp
13 Mac, in Munford, Alabama, on August 30, 2016, and we uplift
14 his inspiring life and legacy of 86 years with utmost
15 reverence and respect; and

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

19 WHEREAS, Mr. McBride was born November 25, 1929, in
20 Talladega, Alabama, to the union of the late Eugene Anderson
21 McBride and Ruby Kilgore McBride; he graduated from Talladega
22 High School in 1948 and attended Auburn University on a United
23 States Naval ROTC Scholarship; in 1952, he graduated from
24 Auburn with a degree in Electrical Engineering; while in
25 college, he was a member of Eta Kappa Nu and Tau Beta Pi
26 Engineering, Scabbard and Blade Military, Steerage Naval, and
27 Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity; and

1 WHEREAS, with much honor, he served as a Midshipman
2 with the Atlantic Fleet and on active duty as an officer in
3 the United States Navy during the Korean Conflict; in 1955, he
4 received an honorable discharge as a Lieutenant; Mr. McBride
5 contributed exceptional direction as Electronics Engineer and
6 Director of Clinical Services at AIDB from 1956 until 1983,
7 before retiring to devote his time to operating Camp Mac, a
8 summer camp founded by his parents in 1948 that serves youth
9 from approximately 132 cities, 21 states, and six foreign
10 countries; he served as owner and director of Camp Mac from
11 1955 until his death; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. McBride was a faithful and dedicated
13 member of First United Methodist Church of Talladega, where he
14 served on the Administrative Board/Council for over 59 years;
15 he helped establish The Talladega City schools Foundation,
16 which he served as President; in recognition of his
17 leadership, a Foundation Chair was presented in his honor in
18 2011; Mr. McBride was actively involved with numerous civic
19 organizations and received many accolades for his
20 distinguished service; and

21 WHEREAS, survivors include his wife of over 63
22 years, Margery Bryan McBride; two sons, Allen Anderson McBride
23 and John Bryan McBride; three granddaughters, Emily Jean
24 McBride, Riley Ann McBride, and Jenny Bryan McBride; and two
25 cousins, Gail Wood Dixon and Bill Wood; he was preceded in
26 death by his parents and one brother, John Anderson McBride;
27 and

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

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
6 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That while grieving the death of
7 Mr. Robert Eugene McBride, we are extremely grateful for his
8 abundant life, and we offer this resolution in highest tribute
9 to his inspiring legacy, as well as in heartfelt sympathy to
10 his family and friends.