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3 By Representatives Faust and Davis
4 RFD:
5 First Read: 02-MAR-17

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
4 SAMUEL JENKINS, SR.
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6 WHEREAS, with an overwhelming sense of loss, we
7 mourn the death, yet celebrate the life, of Samuel Jenkins,
8 Sr., of Daphne, Alabama, whose passing on February 25, 2017,
9 at the age of 90, has left a void in his family and his
10 community; and

11 WHEREAS, born in Loxley, Alabama, Mr. Jenkins served
12 in the United States Army during World War II in the Pacific
13 Theater and obtained the rank of Technician IV; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Jenkins was a potato farmer,
15 independent trucker, and an Industrial Specialist for the
16 Alabama State Employment Service; he also worked for the Del
17 Monte Banana Company and served in leadership roles for
18 professional associations and a multitude of civic
19 organizations; and

20 WHEREAS, truly a public servant whose contributions
21 to our state are immeasurable, Mr. Jenkins served as the first
22 African-American Commissioner and Chair on the Baldwin County
23 Commission; he served on the State Democratic Executive
24 Committee and assumed leadership roles on the Baldwin County

1 Human Resources Committee and the Intergovernmental Relations
2 Committee; and

3 WHEREAS, a faithful member of Mount Aid Baptist
4 Church, Mr. Jenkins held a constant and commendable desire to
5 improve his community and the lives of all Alabamians; and

6 WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his beloved
7 wife, Willa Jackson Jenkins; and son and daughter-in-law,
8 Roderick and Beverly Jenkins; left to cherish the memory of
9 Mr. Jenkins are his sons, Samuel, Jr., (Hilda), Alvin
10 (Vaino), Fenton (Vicki), and Cedric (Cheryl); nine
11 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a host of other
12 devoted family members and friends; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Jenkins earned the admiration and
14 respect of all those with whom he was associated during his
15 successful and rewarding career; although his presence will be
16 greatly missed, his memory will be cherished in the hearts and
17 minds of those who were fortunate to know him; now therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE, BOTH HOUSES
19 THEREOF CONCURRING, That, even as we mourn the death of Samuel
20 Jenkins, Sr., we celebrate his life, dedication, and
21 commitment to improving the quality of life for all Alabamians
22 and this resolution is offered in highest tribute to his life,
23 along with heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is
24 shared by many.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 02-MAR-17.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

14-MAR-17

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