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3 By Representatives Wilcox, Drummond, Gaston, Pringle,
4 Williams (JW), Buskey, Bracy and Sessions
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF MR.
9 OTIS ARTHUR SLACK.

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11 WHEREAS, we are deeply saddened to learn of the
12 death of Mr. Otis Arthur "Art" Slack on April 26, 2017, at the
13 age of 96 years, and we uplift his inspiring life and legacy
14 with utmost reverence and respect; and

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

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Slack was born April 4, 1921, in
19 Lewiston, Illinois, and had been a proud resident of Mobile,
20 Alabama, since 1962; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Slack was a distinguished World War II
22 veteran; he participated in Mobile's Honor Flight Program, was
23 recognized at the dedication of the World War II Museum in New
24 Orleans, and received a Quilt of Valor from the Azalea City
25 Quilters Guild; he proudly donned his WWII cap everywhere; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Slack wore many career hats; he served
27 in law enforcement, real estate, auto sales, and equipment

1 sales; he loved to promote the City of Mobile and actively
2 engaged in politics and numerous civic causes; and

3 WHEREAS, an avid sports fan, Mr. Slack supported the
4 Mobile Mystics Hockey Team, served as an Ambassador for the
5 Mobile Bay Bears, and supported all USA Jaguar Athletics; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Slack was a loyal friend to many and
7 never met a stranger; and

8 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted
9 wife of 72 years, the former Betty J. Dunning; three children;
10 seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and many close
11 friends; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Slack was a valued member of the
13 community; although his presence is greatly missed, his memory
14 is cherished in the hearts and minds of all those who were
15 fortunate enough to know him; now therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
17 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That while grieving the death of
18 Mr. Otis Arthur Slack, we are extremely grateful for his
19 abundant life, and we offer this resolution in highest tribute
20 to his legacy, as well as in heartfelt sympathy to his family
21 and friends.