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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF DR. EDWARD LAMAR THOMAS, SR.
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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the
11 death of Dr. Edward Lamar Thomas, Sr. of Birmingham, Alabama,
12 on March 5, 2021, at the age of 81 years; his passing leaves a
13 void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and the
14 entire community, where he was highly regarded; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas was born on April 2, 1939, in
16 Birmingham, Alabama, to James Hugh Thomas and Rosalie Kuhne
17 Thomas; following graduation from Tuscaloosa High School in
18 1956, he attended The University of Alabama and The Medical
19 College of Alabama where he earned his Medical degree in 1963;
20 he proudly served his country in the U.S. Air Force from 1964
21 to 1966; he completed his Orthopedic Residency at The
22 University of Alabama Hospital in 1970; and

23 WHEREAS, he began private practice in 1970 at
24 Montclair Orthopedic Surgeons; he was a member of numerous
25 Orthopedic Surgery Societies, including the American Board of
26 Orthopedic Surgery, the American Academy of Orthopedic
27 Surgery, as well as many state and local associations; he

1 served as the President of Medical Staff at Baptist Medical
2 Center Montclair from 1998 to 1999; he also served for 15
3 years on The University of Alabama College of Arts and
4 Sciences Leadership Board; he served as an elder of Briarwood
5 Presbyterian Church where he was a member for more than 50
6 years; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas was predeceased by his parents;
8 his survivors include his beloved wife of 58 years, Carole
9 McAdams Thomas; children, Edward Lamar Thomas, Jr. (Lucretia),
10 and Emily Thomas Grigsby; grandchildren, Drew Grigsby and
11 Elizabeth Grigsby; and a host of other relatives and many
12 friends; although his presence will be greatly missed, the
13 memories of him will be cherished in the hearts of all who
14 knew and loved him; now therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
16 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Dr. Edward Lamar
17 Thomas, Sr. is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution
18 is offered in tribute to his life and with heartfelt sympathy
19 to his family.