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2     By Senator Chambliss  
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4 SJR\_\_\_ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF  
5 COMMISSIONER W.O. PACE.  
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7 WHEREAS, we note the death of Commissioner W.O.  
8 "Bill" Pace with deep sadness and regret; his immeasurable  
9 life is commended and celebrated with great thanksgiving;  
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11 WHEREAS, the passing of Commissioner Pace leaves a  
12 void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and  
13 the entire community; and

14 WHEREAS, Commissioner Pace was 90-years-old at the  
15 time of his passing and is survived by his beloved wife of  
16 50 years, Helen Monfee Pace; he is also survived by four  
17 children and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren,  
18 nieces, and nephews; and

19 WHEREAS, Commissioner Pace was born in Deatsville,  
20 Alabama, on September 1, 1932, and graduated from Sidney  
21 Lanier High School in 1951; and

22 WHEREAS, Commissioner Pace joined the Air Force and  
23 served his country as a member of the United States Air  
24 Force, serving his country in the Korean War Conflict; and

25 WHEREAS, Commissioner Pace served on the Autauga



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County Commission and served as Commission Chairman from 1990 until 1994; and

WHEREAS, under Commissioner Pace's leadership, many projects to benefit the citizens of Autauga County were started or continued; these projects include the Tenaska plant located in Autauga County, the Robert Trent Golf Trail located in Prattville, the construction of the Autauga Metro Jail, the construction of the Probate Office, and other meaningful projects which continue to enrich the lives of Autauga County citizens; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Pace served as a Board Member for the Department of Youth Services; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Pace leaves a long legacy of leadership and support for the citizens of Autauga County, including serving as a founder of Autauga Academy and as the first football coach at the school; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Pace's legacy of leadership includes his daughter, Judge Joy Pace Booth, following in his footsteps of service to Autauga County by first serving as a District Court Judge for Autauga County and now as a Circuit Court Judge for the 19th Judicial Circuit, which includes Autauga County; and

WHEREAS, through the years, Commissioner Pace exhibited tireless dedication and exceptional abilities in his personal life, professional life, and service to the



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citizens of Autauga County; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Pace was a valued member of the community; although he will be greatly missed, his memory will be cherished in the hearts and minds of all who were fortunate enough to know him; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That while grieving the death of Commissioner W.O. "Bill" Pace, we are extremely grateful for this abundant life and meritorious service to Autauga County and its citizens, and we offer this resolution in highest tribute to his inspiring legacy, as well as in heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends.