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3 By Representative Carns
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 16-MAR-21

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

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

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas was born on April 2, 1939, in
11 Birmingham, Alabama, to James Hugh Thomas and Rosalie Kuhne
12 Thomas; following graduation from Tuscaloosa High School in
13 1956, he attended The University of Alabama and The Medical
14 College of Alabama where he earned his Medical degree in 1963;
15 he proudly served his country in the U.S. Air Force from 1964
16 to 1966; he completed his Orthopedic Residency at The
17 University of Alabama Hospital in 1970; and

18 WHEREAS, he began private practice in 1970 at
19 Montclair Orthopedic Surgeons; he was a member of numerous
20 Orthopedic Surgery Societies, including the American Board of
21 Orthopedic Surgery, the American Academy of Orthopedic
22 Surgery, as well as many state and local associations; he
23 served as the President of Medical Staff at Baptist Medical
24 Center Montclair from 1998 to 1999; he also served for 15
25 years on The University of Alabama College of Arts and

1 Sciences Leadership Board; he served as an elder of Briarwood
2 Presbyterian Church where he was a member for more than 50
3 years; and

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

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

