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ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,
MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. ANTOINETTE GILMAN
REYNOLDS.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we mourn
the death of Mrs. Antoinette "Toni" Gilman Reynolds of
Huntsville, Alabama, on March 19, 2013, at the age of 83
years; and

WHEREAS, her passing leaves a void in the lives of
her loving family and her many friends; and

WHEREAS, born on September 15, 1929, in Miami,
Florida, she grew up in Norfolk, Virginia, and moved to
Huntsville from Birmingham in 1962; she was a graduate in
History from the College of William and Mary; and

WHEREAS, she was a longtime volunteer and advocate
for Huntsville, including serving on the Board of the
International Services Council for 45 years and hosting
numerous State Department visitors; the National Council of
International Visitors honored her as Volunteer of the Year in
2012, and her family was selected Madison County Family of the
Year in 1974; and

WHEREAS, among her roles of community leadership,
she helped start Hospice Family Care in 1977, was a member of
Rotary, the Republican Women's Club, Church Women United,

1 Interfaith Mission Service, TARGOC, Silver Haired Legislature,
2 Huntsville Leadership, Library Board, Dental Auxiliary,
3 Daughters of the American Revolution, Senior Center Board,
4 Meals on Wheels, and many others; and

5 WHEREAS, Mrs. Reynolds and her husband were founding
6 members of Valley United Methodist Church; she participated in
7 numerous multicultural service initiatives as part of building
8 a more diverse community; in addition, she was the first woman
9 president of the Greenwyche Neighborhood Association and
10 helped organize Community Watch in the 1970s; and

11 WHEREAS, a believer in lifelong learning, she earned
12 a Counseling Degree from Alabama A and M University in 1972,
13 worked in the school system for a number of years, and was the
14 first woman to be elected to the Huntsville City School Board;
15 she was president of Ollie, on the Learning Quest Board, the
16 State Vocational Board, and the State Community Education
17 Board; she also took courses at Hudson Alpha Institute; and

18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Reynolds played bridge regularly,
19 attaining the rank of Life Master; she was an avid reader and
20 enjoyed researching genealogy, discussing current events,
21 traveling, golf, embroidery, knitting, and watching sports,
22 especially baseball; and

23 WHEREAS, survivors include her sister, Kay Wilkey;
24 children, Drew (Lynne) Reynolds, Ann (Mike) Bush, John
25 (Sharon) Reynolds, Richard (Bonnie) Reynolds, and Katherine

1 (Tom) Russell; 15 grandchildren; and three
2 great-grandchildren; she was predeceased by her beloved
3 husband of 57 years, William Stanley Reynolds; and

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Reynolds was a valued member of the
5 community; although her presence will be greatly missed, her
6 legacy will endure and her memory will be cherished in the
7 hearts of those who were fortunate to know her; now therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
9 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Antoinette
10 Gilman Reynolds is recorded with deep sadness, and this
11 resolution is offered in tribute to her life and with
12 heartfelt sympathy to her family, whose grief is shared by
13 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 09-APR-13.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

18-APR-13

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