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3 By Representatives Moore (P), Robertson, Stadthagen and Shedd  
4 RFD: Rules  
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8 CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND MOURNING THE DEATH OF  
9 THOMAS PRYOR COLLINS.

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11 WHEREAS, with an overwhelming sense of loss, we  
12 mourn the death, yet celebrate the life, of Thomas "Tom" Pryor  
13 Collins of Decatur, Alabama, whose passing on February 9,  
14 2020, at the age of 63, has left a void in the lives of his  
15 loving family and friends and the entire community, where he  
16 was highly regarded; he was the husband of our good friend and  
17 colleague, Representative Terri Collins; and

18 WHEREAS, he was born January 25, 1957, and met his  
19 wife at The University of Alabama; he was a man of faith and  
20 integrity and a longtime volunteer church worship leader and  
21 youth lay leader; he was a very gifted singer and songwriter  
22 who used his voice to uplift God and encourage and bless  
23 others; dedicated to enriching the lives of those around him,  
24 he selflessly loved his family and was devoted to making his  
25 community a better place; he was a proud supporter of his wife  
26 and her work on behalf of the people of Morgan County; he  
27 retired from the Tennessee Valley Authority; and

1           WHEREAS, his survivors include his beloved wife;  
2 children, Tracie McPhillips (Joseph), Tricia Collins, and  
3 Taylor Collins; and grandchildren, Ryleigh and Dyson; and

4           WHEREAS, a valued member of the community and loved  
5 by many, his service to others and his passion for life will  
6 be remembered fondly; we join with others to celebrate his  
7 life and to mourn his death; although his presence will be  
8 greatly missed, the memory of Mr. Collins will be cherished in  
9 the hearts of all who knew and loved him; now therefore,

10           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
11 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mr. Thomas "Tom"  
12 Pryor Collins is recorded with deep sadness, and even as we  
13 mourn his death and the loss it represents, we also celebrate  
14 his life; this resolution is offered in highest tribute, along  
15 with heartfelt sympathy to our friend and colleague,  
16 Representative Terri Collins, and his entire family, whose  
17 grief is shared by many.