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ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,
MOURNING THE DEATH OF JOSEPH C. MOQUIN.

WHEREAS, we note the death of Joseph C. Moquin of Madison, Alabama, on March 16, 2014, with deep sadness; his immeasurable life of 89 years is commended and celebrated with great thanksgiving; and

WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Moquin leaves a void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and the entire community, where he was highly regarded; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Moquin is a native of Middleboro, Massachusetts, and he served with much honor and distinction in World War II as a captain in the Army Corps of Engineers; he received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, and embarked upon his distinguished career as Director of the Army Ordinance Management Engineering Program at Rock Island in 1952; and

WHEREAS, notably, he served as chief management engineer for the then Army Ballistic Missile Agency, contributing his expert guidance and leadership to the pivotal launch of our country's first satellite, Explorer; in addition, he served Teledyne Brown as Executive President, President, and as Chairman of the Board; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Moquin served as Executive Vice
2 President of Brown Engineering, which flourished under his
3 leadership and later merged with Teledyne, Inc., to become
4 Teledyne Brown Engineering; he was very influential in the
5 establishment of Cummings Research Park; many paid tribute to
6 him when he retired as Chairman of TBE; on the occasion, 700
7 people gathered at the Von Braun Civic Center to pay their
8 respect, he received a telegram from President Bush, and flags
9 that were flown aboard the space Shuttle; a street in Cummings
10 Research Park was named after him; and

11 WHEREAS, upon retirement from TBE, he served as
12 interim President of The University of Alabama in Huntsville
13 and interim director of the Space and Rocket Center; he served
14 for a number of years on the boards of Alabama AandM
15 University, Alabama Heritage Trust Fund, UAH Foundation, UAB
16 Board of Directors, NASA's Advisory Council, Huntsville
17 Madison County Chamber of Commerce and Harris Home for
18 Children; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Moquin has received accolades including
20 Army's Outstanding Civilian Service Medal, Huntsville's
21 Distinguished Service Award, the Medaris Award from the local
22 chapter of the American Defense Preparedness Association,
23 induction into the Alabama Engineering Hall of Fame and the
24 Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame, and an honorary Doctor of Science
25 from UAH in 1983; and

1 WHEREAS, through the years, he has earned immense
2 respect for his tireless dedication and exceptional abilities,
3 and his numerous contributions reflect immense credit upon the
4 entire State of Alabama; and

5 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted
6 wife of 35 years, Anita J. Moquin; sons, Michael, Steve, Clay,
7 Bill, Paul, and Tom; two daughters, Meg Hereford and Sarah Jo
8 Chadwell; two step-children, John Higgins and Suzanne
9 Carlisle; nine grandchildren; brother, Walter Moquin; and
10 sister, Mary Scotese; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Moquin is a valued member of the
12 community; although his presence is greatly missed, his memory
13 is cherished in the hearts and minds of all those who were
14 fortunate enough to know him; now therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
16 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That while grieving the death of
17 Joseph C. Moquin, we are highly grateful for his abundant
18 life, and we offer this resolution in highest tribute to his
19 profound legacy, as well as in heartfelt sympathy to his
20 family and friends.

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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 01-APR-14.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate 03-APR-14 Adopted
