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HR\_\_\_ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF RONALD HICKS.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the death of Ronald Hicks of Buffalo, New York, on February 1, 2024, at the age of 72; and

WHEREAS, his departure leaves a void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and the community where he was highly regarded; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Hicks was born on December 30, 1951, in Buffalo to Udell Hicks, Sr. and Lucille Colston Hicks; he was the second of seven children born to this union; he was a natural athlete and earned a football scholarship to Central State University; he graduated in 1974 with a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration; he was an active and valued member of the Theta Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated, where he held many leadership positions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hicks began his professional career with Equitable Insurance Corporation in 1976 and remained with the company for 48 years and earned many prestigious, high-level performance and industry awards; he was awarded 41 National Leaders Corps Awards, 10 President's Cabinet awards, five Hallmark Awards which celebrate career milestone credits of 1,000,000; 19 Centurion Awards; he was



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29 a role model of consistency at Equitable Insurance Company  
30 and generously mentored many young financial advisors over  
31 the course of his career; and

32 WHEREAS, Mr. Hicks was a man of strong faith and  
33 confessed his belief in Christ at a young age; he was an  
34 active member of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church where  
35 he performed in the youth choir and the young adult choir as  
36 soloist; he later became a faithful and trusted member of  
37 St. John Missionary Baptist Church; following the  
38 commandment to honor thy father and mother, he proudly  
39 established the Udell and Lucille Hicks Family Scholarship  
40 to be used by Buffalo Public Schools exemplary graduating  
41 seniors in the pursuit of postsecondary degrees; and

42 WHEREAS, Mr. Hicks is reunited with his parents and  
43 infant daughter, Amanda Rose Hicks; he will be lovingly  
44 remembered by his devoted wife, Rosemary Hicks; son, Ronald  
45 D. Hicks; sisters, Brenda Hicks-Russell, Cynthia Russell  
46 (Teddy), and Beverly Johnson (Jerome); brother, Dwight Hicks  
47 (Yvette); and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many  
48 lifelong friends; and

49 WHEREAS, although his presence will be greatly  
50 missed, the memory of Ronald Hicks will be cherished in the  
51 hearts of all who knew and loved him; now therefore,

52 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
53 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Ronald Hicks is  
54 recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is offered  
55 to his family in tribute to his life and with heartfelt  
56 sympathy to his loved ones whose grief is shared by many.