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3 By Representative Ford
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. BILLY H. PHIPPS, SR.
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10 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive
11 news of the death of Mr. Billy H. Phipps, Sr., of Gadsden,
12 Alabama, on February 29, 2012, at the age of 77 years; and

13 WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Billy H. Phipps, Sr.
14 leaves a void in the lives of his loving family, his many
15 friends, and the entire community, where he was highly
16 regarded; and

17 WHEREAS, he was a graduate of Pocahontas High School
18 in Pocahontas, Virginia; he served U.S. Steel in Gary Indiana,
19 as a 1st Class electrician for 30 years; he was a veteran of
20 the U.S. Army called back to serve in the Cuban Crisis; he was
21 an active member of The Tabernacle of Gadsden and loved Gospel
22 singing; and

23 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted
24 wife of 54 years, Freida Phipps; three sons, William Phipps,
25 Bill Phipps, Jr., and Rick (Tracie) Phipps; two grandchildren,
26 Bradlee Phipps and Amber Phipps; one stepgrandson, Matthew
27 Robertson; chosen grandson, P. Phelan; eight brothers, Earl

1 Phipps, Hughey Phipps, Basil Phipps, David Phipps, Sherman C.
2 Phipps, Gary Phipps, Harry Phipps, and Dale Phipps; three
3 sisters, Becky Krueger, Dixie Brady, and Sarah Jane Jennings;
4 and several nieces and nephews; he was preceded in death by
5 his parents, William and Armeta Phipps and his brother, Noah
6 Phipps; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Billy H. Phipps, Sr., was a valued
8 member of the community; although his presence will be greatly
9 missed, his memory will be cherished in the hearts and minds
10 of those who were fortunate to know him; now therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
12 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. Billy H.
13 Phipps, Sr., is recorded with deep sadness, and this
14 resolution is offered in highest tribute to his life, along
15 with heartfelt sympathy to his grieving family.