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8 MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF JERRY
9 WAYNE STUDDARD.

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11 WHEREAS, with an overwhelming sense of loss, we
12 mourn the death, yet celebrate the life, of Jerry Wayne
13 Studdard of Talladega County, Alabama, whose passing on
14 February 21, 2016, at the age of 73 years, left a void in the
15 lives of his loving family and friends; he will be remembered
16 as an inspiration to the countless numbers whose lives he
17 touched; and

18 WHEREAS, Studdard was a member of Trinity Episcopal
19 Church of Alpine; an accomplished rodeo cowboy in his youth,
20 Studdard became a well-respected law enforcement officer and
21 devoted his lifetime to protecting and serving the citizens of
22 Talladega County; and

23 WHEREAS, beginning as a jailer in 1968, he worked
24 his way up through the ranks, as a deputy sheriff, as an
25 investigator with the Alabama Beverage Control Board, and was
26 first elected Sheriff of Talladega County in 1978; he retired
27 in 2013 after nine terms, and 34 years of service; Sheriff

1 Studdard is one of the longest serving sheriffs in Alabama
2 history; and

3 WHEREAS, Sheriff Studdard was preceded in death by
4 his parents, Anthony and Lena Brewer Studdard; brothers, Roy
5 Studdard and Jimmy Studdard; and dear friend, Joe Tom
6 Armbruster; and

7 WHEREAS, left to cherish the memories of Sheriff
8 Studdard are his children, Janet (Frankie) Wallis, Jerri Lynn
9 (Tim) Pruitt, Dustin (Denise) Studdard, and Jay Studdard;
10 grandchildren, Jeremy Wallis, Heidi Wallis, Jerred Pruitt,
11 Jana Studdard, and Cashton Studdard; great grandchildren, Reid
12 Wallis, Laniey Wallis, Kinley Windham, and Khole Studdard;
13 sisters, Pat Williams, Hazel Moncus, Juanita (Buster)
14 Braswell, and Judy (Steve) Smith, and a host of nieces,
15 nephews, other relatives, and friends; and

16 WHEREAS, his passion for life will be remembered
17 fondly; Sheriff Studdard was a valued member of the community
18 and was loved by many; his presence will be greatly missed and
19 his memory will be cherished in the hearts and minds of those
20 who were fortunate to know him; now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
22 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Sheriff Jerry
23 Wayne Studdard is recorded with deep sadness, and even as we
24 mourn his death, we also celebrate his life; this resolution
25 is offered in highest tribute, along with heartfelt sympathy
26 to his family and friends, whose grief is shared by many.