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3 By Senators Coleman-Madison, Waggoner, Smitherman, Albritton,
4 Allen, Barfoot, Beasley, Burkette, Butler, Chambliss,
5 Chesteen, Dunn, Elliott, Figures, Givhan, Gudger, Holley,
6 Jones, Livingston, Marsh, McClendon, Melson, Orr, Price, Reed,
7 Roberts, Sanders-Fortier, Scofield, Sessions, Shelnut,tt,
8 Singleton, Stutts, Ward, Whatley and Williams
9 RFD:
10 First Read: 10-MAR-20

MOURNING THE DEATH OF DR. MABLE BELL ANDERSON.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the death of Dr. Mable Bell Anderson; her passing has left a void in the lives of her loving family and friends and the entire community, where she was highly regarded; and

WHEREAS, she was born in 1930 to I. C. and Beatrice Craddock Bell in Ensley, Alabama; she graduated from A. H. Parker High School at the age of 16; between 1950 and 1985, she amassed several academic achievements; she holds a Doctoral Degree in Developmental Psychology, a Master's Degree in Supervision, Bachelor's Degree in Sociology; a Certified Woman Executive and was a Verified Developmental Education Specialist to name a few; during her career, she taught at several prestigious institutions, including The University of Alabama, Tuskegee University, Miles University, Grambling State University, the University of Georgia, Michigan State University, Pennsylvania State University, and Fordham University; she became the first African-American to receive a doctorate in developmental psychology at Penn State; and

1 WHEREAS, she has been the keynote speaker and
2 presented workshops in over half of the United States, Puerto
3 Rico and Australia; some of her honors include Academic
4 Scholarships for all degrees, membership in four National
5 Honor Societies, 1999 NAACP Woman of the Year and Unsung Heros
6 of 2000; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Anderson devoted her life to improving
8 the environment and her community; she was the founder and
9 President of the Village Creek Human and Environmental Justice
10 Society Inc., which addresses the extensive flooding of the
11 Village Creek watershed; she was a faithful and an active
12 member of St. Marks Episcopal Church, where she served in many
13 capacities; and

14 WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her parents
15 and her husband, Furman C. Anderson; survivors include her
16 children, Alameta Anderson Zinnerman (Alex) and Joseph C.
17 Anderson (Lena); and a host of other relatives and many
18 friends; although her presence will be greatly missed, the
19 memory of her will be cherished in the hearts of all who knew
20 and loved her; now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE LEGISLATURE OF
22 ALABAMA, That the death of Dr. Mable Bell Anderson is recorded
23 with deep sadness and this resolution is offered in tribute to
24 her life and with heartfelt sympathy to her family whose grief
25 is shared by many.