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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. TILLIE E. SIMMS.

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10 WHEREAS, with profound sorrow and regret, we receive  
11 news of the death of Mrs. Tillie E. Simms of Owens Cross  
12 Roads, Alabama, on March 26, 2011, at the age of 80 years; and

13 WHEREAS, the passing of Mrs. Simms leaves a void in  
14 the lives of her loving family, her many friends, and the  
15 entire community, where she was well-known and highly  
16 regarded; and

17 WHEREAS, born on May 12, 1930, she grew up on Green  
18 Mountain in Madison County and was endowed with a strong work  
19 ethic and sense of responsibility; and

20 WHEREAS, Mrs. Simms spent the entirety of her life  
21 taking care of the needs of others; she had a loving and  
22 generous nature and insisted on sharing what she had; among  
23 her talents, she was an accomplished gardener, and her yard  
24 was always filled with colorful flowers as the result of her  
25 hard work; in addition, she instilled in her children and  
26 grandchildren the true meaning of life and how to live it; and

1           WHEREAS, preceding her in death were her husband,  
2           Gordon Simms; parents, Jack and Fronie Winkler Dempsey; and  
3           brother, Bill Dempsey; and

4           WHEREAS, she is survived by her children,  
5           Representative Wayne Johnson, Gordon E. (Brenda) Simms,  
6           Marilyn (Sam) Clark, Cindy Johnson, and Phyllis (Jerry)  
7           Schultz; brother, Bob Dempsey; sisters, Janice Stephens and  
8           Martha Bolden; grandchildren, Brian Simms, Christy Shaneyfelt,  
9           Jason Clark, Jeremy Johnson, and Trent Johnson; four  
10          great-grandchildren; and her many friends and neighbors; and

11          WHEREAS, Mrs. Simms will be remembered for her drive  
12          and stamina as well as her selfless devotion to others;  
13          although her presence will be missed, her legacy will endure  
14          and her memory will be cherished in the hearts and minds of  
15          those who were fortunate to know her; now therefore,

16          BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
17          THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mrs. Tillie E.  
18          Simms is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is  
19          offered in highest tribute to her life, along with heartfelt  
20          sympathy to her grieving family.