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8 HONORING THE MEMORY OF ROBERT H. GARNER.

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10 WHEREAS, we pay tribute to the life and memory of
11 Robert H. Garner, of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, who died on
12 September 20, 2004, at the age of 71 years; and

13 WHEREAS, devoted to the noble profession of
14 education, Professor Garner was a 35-year University of
15 Alabama faculty member, serving as assistant dean and head of
16 the Office of Student Services in the university's College of
17 Arts and Sciences; he was awarded the distinction of professor
18 emeritus of chemistry; and

19 WHEREAS, whether carefully explaining a complex
20 concept in an organic chemistry class filled with anxious
21 undergraduate students or providing career guidance and
22 encouragement to a student in his role as an advisor,
23 Professor Garner was admired by colleagues and students alike
24 for developing innovative programs in both research and
25 teaching to mentor students for future success in life; and

26 WHEREAS, serving as chairman of the university's
27 Health Professions Advising Committee, he contributed to the

1 development of guidelines and policies to assist
2 health-professions students with academic planning; and

3 WHEREAS, following his retirement, Professor Garner
4 remained active at the university, heading numerous advising
5 projects and teaching chemistry for non-majors, and in
6 addition to his academic accomplishments, he served on the
7 board of directors of both Habitat of Tuscaloosa and the
8 Kiwanis Club of Greater Tuscaloosa; and

9 WHEREAS, a member of Calvary Baptist Church,
10 Professor Garner was married to Margaret Garner, and the
11 couple was blessed with five sons: Mark Daniel Garner, Robert
12 David Garner, Jonathan William Garner, Benjamin Pipkin Garner,
13 and Thomas Weatherford Garner; now therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
15 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we take great pride in
16 celebrating the life, legacy, and academic contributions of
17 Robert H. Garner, and this resolution is offered in highest
18 tribute to him.