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8 URGING THE CREATION OF A DAY TO RECOGNIZE THE
9 WIDOWED AND ORPHANED.

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11 WHEREAS, widows and orphans face heart-wrenching
12 challenges such as despairing grief and utter loneliness, and
13 should not be left to silently suffer through their troubled
14 times alone; and

15 WHEREAS, the responsibility befalls good stewards of
16 communities to show compassion for mankind; "Religion that God
17 Our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look
18 after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself
19 from being polluted by the world" (James 1:27); the slightest
20 gesture of goodwill takes very little effort, but can make a
21 tremendous difference in the life of another; and

22 WHEREAS, widows and orphans whose lives are void of
23 the nurturing support that would have been provided by parents
24 or spouses in ideal circumstances, should receive
25 encouragement from their fellow man; and

1 WHEREAS, a day recognizing the widowed and orphaned
2 would honor and support citizens whose lives are absent of
3 loving spouses and parents; now therefore,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
5 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we highly recommend and
6 strongly urge the creation of a day to recognize the widowed
7 and orphaned.