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3 By Representative Forte  
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. JAMES L. LYNN.

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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we mourn  
11 the death of Mr. James L. Lynn on April 4, 2013, at the age of  
12 78 years; and

13 WHEREAS, his passing leaves a void in the lives of  
14 his loving family and his many friends; and

15 WHEREAS, born in Abbeville, Alabama, on November 16,  
16 1934, he was the son of Norton and Emma Lynn and at an early  
17 age joined New Hope Freewill Baptist Church, where he served  
18 for many years before moving his membership to Union Grove  
19 Baptist Church as a teenager; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Lynn served with honor and distinction  
21 in the United States Army, having enlisted in Pennsylvania; he  
22 subsequently resided in New York, where he was a highly  
23 regarded businessman and paint contractor for 10 years for the  
24 NYC Housing Authority; he later became the proud owner of a  
25 number of family buildings; and

26 WHEREAS, in 1987, he returned to his hometown and  
27 continued to own multiple rental properties, never retiring

1 from his vocation as a successful businessman; during this  
2 time, he rejoined Union Grove Baptist Church and served with  
3 dedication and efficiency in many capacities, rising to be  
4 Chairman of the Deacon Board and being a forerunner in  
5 modernizing his beloved church; and

6 WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, he was  
7 predeceased by a sister, Nancy Jones; and

8 WHEREAS, survivors include his devoted wife, Mattie  
9 P. Lynn; daughters, Felecia Yvette Lynn and Gwendolyn (Derek  
10 Ledesma) Lynn; sisters, Pauline Williams, Flora D. Bell, Lalor  
11 Hoston, Irene (Tim) Green, Winnie Faye Jones, and Annie Doris  
12 (Willie Lee) Yancey; brothers, John L. Lynn and Leonard  
13 (Veronica) Lynn; stepsisters, Lula Mae Clark and Mary  
14 (William) Hunter; stepbrothers, Robert (Annie Ruth) Lynn and  
15 Val Lynn; aunt, Rosie Lee Scott; uncles, O.B. Corbitt and L.B.  
16 Corbitt; and a host of other relatives and dear friends; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Lynn was a valued member of the  
18 community; although his presence will be greatly missed, his  
19 memory will be cherished in the hearts of those who were  
20 fortunate to know him; now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
22 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. James L.  
23 Lynn is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is  
24 offered in tribute to his life along with heartfelt sympathy  
25 to his family, whose grief is shared by many.