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3 By Senator Bedford  
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. WILLARD BARKSDALE  
9 ROBINSON.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we mourn  
12 the death of Mr. Willard Barksdale Robinson on March 27, 2013,  
13 at the age of 86 years; and

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

16 WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Millport, Alabama,  
17 he attended The University of Alabama and was a member of  
18 Sigma Nu Fraternity; he was a veteran of World War II who  
19 served with honor and distinction in the United States Army in  
20 the Philippines; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson worked as a partner in R.F.  
22 Odom and Son; he was a member of Springhill Baptist Church;  
23 among his community contributions, he served as Scoutmaster of  
24 Troop 48 for many years; a stellar athlete, he was inducted  
25 into the Millport Sports Hall of Fame and the Lamar County  
26 Sports Hall of Fame; he was an avid reader who also loved the  
27 outdoors and Crimson Tide football; and

1           WHEREAS, he was predeceased by his parents, Albert  
2 "Shade" and Mattie Farley Robinson; foster parents, Renzo F.  
3 and Alma Propst Odom; and his siblings; and

4           WHEREAS, survivors include his wife of 66 years,  
5 Doris Simmons Robinson; son, Dale Odom (Susan) Robinson, Sr.;  
6 daughter, Carolyn Robinson; grandchildren, Nicki Wilson (Neal)  
7 Lamb, Barry (Summer) Wilson, and Dale Odom (Sandy) Robinson,  
8 Jr.; great-grandchildren, Trent Wilson, Caroline Wilson,  
9 Colton Lamb, Carley Lamb, and Taylor Robinson; and a host of  
10 nieces, nephews, and dear friends; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson was a valued member of the  
12 community; although his presence will be greatly missed, his  
13 memory will be cherished in the hearts of those who were  
14 fortunate to know him; now therefore,

15           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
16 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mr. Willard  
17 Barksdale Robinson is recorded with deep sadness, and this  
18 resolution is offered in highest tribute to his life along  
19 with heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is shared  
20 by many.