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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. DOROTHY LEE BISHOP.

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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we mourn
11 the death of Mrs. Dorothy Lee "Dot" Bishop of Russellville,
12 Alabama, on March 10, 2013; and

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

15 WHEREAS, she was a highly esteemed educator who
16 taught in the Russellville City Schools for 36 years and was
17 selected as an Outstanding Elementary Teacher of America in
18 1972; and

19 WHEREAS, among her roles of leadership, she served
20 in offices of the Franklin County Retired Teachers Association
21 and the Franklin County Retired State Employees Association;
22 she was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and, at various times,
23 she was a volunteer with Safeplace and Meals on Wheels, an
24 election official for Franklin County, and a Board Member of
25 Hospice of the Shoals; and

26 WHEREAS, in addition to her exemplary career, she
27 was a devout member of North Highlands Church of Christ for

1 more than 55 years; she also faithfully supported her husband
2 during his two terms as Mayor of the City of Russellville and
3 during his appointment as a United States Marshal; and

4 WHEREAS, she loved reading, gardening, and
5 traveling; her sweet spirit, cheerful personality, and ready
6 smile endeared her to all she met; above all, her sons and
7 grandchildren were the joys of her heart; and

8 WHEREAS, she was predeceased by her parents, Roy and
9 Lola Caver; husband, Ralph Clayton Bishop, Sr., and
10 daughter-in-law, Betsy Bishop; and

11 WHEREAS, survivors include her sons, Ralph Bishop,
12 Jr., and Chris (Leta) Bishop; grandchildren, Clayton Bishop,
13 Will Bishop, Olivia Bishop, and Noah Bishop; sisters, Betty
14 (Willie) Hamblen and Glenda (Ed) Foust; sisters-in-law, Linda
15 Bishop and Diane (Harold) Miller; aunts, Mary (Charles) Crabb
16 and Virginia (Smith) Goddard; and numerous other relatives and
17 close friends; and

18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bishop was a beloved and valued member
19 of the community; although her presence will be greatly
20 missed, her memory will be cherished in the hearts of those
21 who were fortunate to know her; now therefore,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
23 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Dorothy Lee
24 Bishop is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is
25 offered with heartfelt sympathy to her family, whose grief is
26 shared by many.