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3 By Representative Merrill
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. GARY NEILL BLOCKER.

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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we mourn
11 the death of Mr. Gary Neill Blocker of Tuscaloosa, Alabama,
12 formerly of Jal, New Mexico, on January 16, 2014, at the age
13 of 77 years; and

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

16 WHEREAS, born on May 6, 1936, in Midland, Texas, he
17 was the elder son of George and Bess Blocker; and

18 WHEREAS, he was graduate of Jal High School and
19 Eastern New Mexico University and served as a city councilman
20 and two-term mayor of Jal prior to moving to Tuscaloosa in
21 2001; and

22 WHEREAS, survivors include his wife, DeAlva Blocker;
23 son, Gary Don Blocker; daughter, LeAnn Shiers (Myron);
24 grandchildren, Joshua and Micah Shiers, Tyler Beyer, Sarah
25 Blocker, and Leah Blocker (Craig Burch); and a number of
26 great-grandchildren and other relatives as well as church

1 family at both Taylorville United Methodist Church and Jal
2 United Methodist Church and many dear friends; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Blocker was a valued member of the
4 community; although his presence will be greatly missed, his
5 memory will be cherished in the hearts of those who were
6 fortunate to know him; now therefore,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
8 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. Gary Neill
9 Blocker is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is
10 offered in highest tribute to his life and with heartfelt
11 sympathy to his family, whose grief is shared by many.