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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. L.E. TYRA.

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10 WHEREAS, it is with an overwhelming sense of loss  
11 that we mourn the death of Mr. L.E. Tyra of Hamilton, Alabama,  
12 on March 25, 2014, at the age of 71 years; and

13 WHEREAS, his passing leaves a void in the lives of  
14 his loving family and his many friends; he was a devout member  
15 of First Baptist Church of Hamilton as well as a longtime,  
16 highly regarded educator and coach; and

17 WHEREAS, born in the Shiloh Community on November  
18 30, 1942, he was the youngest of five children of Lonnie  
19 Edward and Ida Tyra; and

20 WHEREAS, he was a 1961 graduate of Hamilton High  
21 School, where he was a standout athlete who played both  
22 football and basketball; after graduating and working for a  
23 time at Toll Gate Garment, he married the former Ann Scott  
24 and, through the years, their marriage was blessed with two  
25 children, Michelle and Scott; and

26 WHEREAS, after graduating from Itawamba Junior  
27 College in 1965, he earned a Teaching Degree from Mississippi

1 State University in 1966 and returned to his Hamilton High  
2 School alma mater as a teacher and assistant coach, serving  
3 for 14 years; he ultimately received a Master's Degree in  
4 Administration and Supervision from the University of North  
5 Alabama in Florence; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Tyra retired from the Marion County  
7 School System in July 2005, having served in many capacities  
8 including becoming Superintendent in January 1992; he was  
9 highly regarded as a peacemaker and for his administrative  
10 skills, dependability, and stewardship of taxpayer funds; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Tyra personified the finest qualities  
12 of the education profession, having been inspired by the  
13 teachers who made a difference in his life when he was young;  
14 he was a valued member of the community, and although his  
15 presence will be missed, his memory will be cherished in the  
16 hearts of those who were fortunate to know him; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
18 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. L.E. Tyra is  
19 recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is offered in  
20 highest tribute to his life and with heartfelt sympathy to his  
21 family, whose grief is shared by many.