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3 By Representatives Boyd, Ainsworth, Alexander, Baker, Ball,  
4 Bandy, Beckman, Beech, Black, Boothe, Bracy, Brown, Buskey,  
5 Butler, Carns, Chesteen, Clarke, Clouse, Coleman, Collins,  
6 Daniels, Davis, Drake, Drummond, England, Farley, Faulkner,  
7 Faust, Fincher, Ford, Forte, Fridy, Garrett, Gaston, Givan,  
8 Greer, Grimsley, Hall, Hammon, Hanes, Harbison, Harper, Henry,  
9 Hill (J), Hill (M), Holmes (A), Holmes (M), Howard, Hubbard,  
10 Hurst, Ingram, Jackson, Johnson (K), Johnson (R), Jones,  
11 Knight, Lawrence, Ledbetter, Lee, Lindsey, Martin, McCampbell,  
12 McClammy, McCutcheon, McMillan, Melton, Millican, Mooney,  
13 Moore (B), Moore (M), Morrow, Nordgren, Patterson, Pettus,  
14 Polizos, Poole, Pringle, Rich, Robinson, Rogers, Rowe,  
15 Sanderford, Scott, Sells, Sessions, Shedd, Shiver, South,  
16 Standridge, Todd, Treadaway, Tuggle, Vance, Wadsworth, Warren,  
17 Weaver, Whorton (I), Whorton (R), Wilcox, Williams (JD),  
18 Williams (JW), Williams (P), Wingo and Wood  
19 RFD:  
20 First Read: 11-AUG-15

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8 HONORING THE DISTINGUISHED HERITAGE AND LEGACY OF  
9 HOBSON CITY, ALABAMA, ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 116TH  
10 ANNIVERSARY.

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12 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly  
13 presented to Hobson City, Alabama, on the occasion of its  
14 116th Anniversary on August 16, 2015; and

15 WHEREAS, a 116th Anniversary is a significant  
16 milestone that presents a golden opportunity to reflect on the  
17 distinguished heritage and legacy of Hobson City; and

18 WHEREAS, initially, Hobson City was a section of the  
19 town of Oxford, Alabama, known as Mooree Quarter, where black  
20 residents lived; and

21 WHEREAS, as a result of the white residents'  
22 resentment for the black residents' influence in town  
23 politics, Oxford's mayor petitioned the state government to  
24 redraw the corporate boundaries of Oxford and exclude Mooree  
25 Quarter; and

26 WHEREAS, notably, 125 black residents petitioned the  
27 county court to incorporate the excluded section as Hobson

1 City on July 20, 1899; Hobson City was named in honor of  
2 Richmond Pearson Hobson, a naval hero of the Spanish-American  
3 War; and

4 WHEREAS, on August 16, 1899, Hobson City, became the  
5 only municipality in Alabama governed entirely by black  
6 citizens and the second municipality in the United States to  
7 be governed entirely by black citizens; and

8 WHEREAS, Hobson City boasted three churches in the  
9 early days and currently has five; its first school, the  
10 Hobson City and Oxford Academy, was established in 1905; and

11 WHEREAS, in recent years, Hobson City formed a  
12 bountiful community garden for residents to enjoy and  
13 cultivate; and

14 WHEREAS, Hobson City will celebrate Founder's Day  
15 August 14-15, 2015; and

16 WHEREAS, through the years, Hobson City has produced  
17 remarkable citizens and leaders devoted to positively  
18 impacting the community and the entire state; Hobson City is  
19 truly a Southern gem that has successfully preserved the  
20 area's rich history and culture; Hobson City's contributions  
21 reflect immense credit upon the entire State of Alabama; now  
22 therefore,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
24 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Hobson City, Alabama, is  
25 highly honored and commended, and this resolution is offered  
26 to its officials and residents in deepest admiration and  
27 appreciation, along with sincere best wishes for the future.

