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

WHEREAS, recorded with deep sorrow is the death of
Representative Joe R. Carothers of Dothan, Alabama, on
February 12, 2016, at the age of 77 years; and

WHEREAS, Joe Carothers graduated from Auburn
University in 1959 and had a 30-year career as an agriculture
teacher in the Houston County schools; a gentleman farmer and
a family man, Joe Carothers served Houston County in the
Alabama House of Representatives for 32 years, from 1974
through 2006; Representative Carothers will be remembered as a
people person who served others with dignity and respect; he
was a powerful voice for the Wiregrass; and

WHEREAS, locally, Representative Carothers was
involved in the National Peanut Festival for more than 40
years; he initiated the National Peanut Festival Junior Beef
Cattle show for youth exhibitors, he was a member and past
president of the Tri State Beef Expo Board of Directors,
served as chairman of the Houston County Steer Show, and
supported the Houston County Heifer Show; and

WHEREAS, a devoted long-time member of the first
United Methodist Church in Dothan, Representative Carothers

1 was also a lifetime member of the Dothan Houston County
2 Chamber of Commerce; a talented lawmaker and a trusted friend
3 to many, his manner was genuine and his public service was
4 sincere; and

5 WHEREAS, successfully running for public office
6 eight times, he still appreciated the simple life and
7 maintained his love of family as his number one priority;
8 Representative Carothers was a master of the legislative
9 process, respected by all, and ably represented his
10 constituents; his loyalty was never compromised; and

11 WHEREAS, Representative Carothers is preceded in
12 death by his parents; his beloved wife of almost 50 years,
13 Barbara Burns Carothers; and brother William Carothers; left
14 to celebrate his memory are sons, Robins (Jerri) Carothers and
15 Merritt (Paula) Carothers; sister-in-law, Rose Carothers;
16 grandchildren Robins Carothers, IV, Zachary Carothers, and
17 Kathrine Carothers; nephews, Jackie Reeves and Bill Carothers;
18 and a host of family and friends, who will miss his dearly;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Representative Carothers dedicated his
21 lifetime to serving the people he loved, his family, the
22 constituents in his district, and the citizens of Alabama,
23 with fairness and distinction; now therefore,

24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
25 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That with utmost gratitude we

1 recognize the significant and lasting contributions of
2 Representative Joe R. Carothers to the Alabama Legislature,
3 the people of his district, and the citizens of the State of
4 Alabama. We extend our heartfelt sympathy and shared sense of
5 immeasurable loss to his family and friends.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 24-FEB-16.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

01-MAR-16

Adopted