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3 By Representative Jackson
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5 First Read: 17-MAR-16

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8 HONORING REVEREND EARNEST HICKS, SR.

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10 WHEREAS, according to this tender mercy, God, who is
11 infinite in His wisdom, has seen fit to give us this day to
12 celebrate the life of our beloved brother in Christ, on this
13 20th day of March 2016; and

14 WHEREAS, we feel it befitting to express love and
15 appreciation to Reverend Earnest Hicks, Sr., and family during
16 the 100th Birthday Celebration of Reverend Earnest Hicks, Sr.;

17 we give thanks to Him who knoweth best and will always do
18 right for the longevity of the life for Reverend Hicks, Sr.;

19 and

20 WHEREAS, Reverend Hicks, Sr., the biological son of
21 the late Mr. Lonnie Hamilton, Sr., and Ms. Martha
22 Butler-Hamilton and the adoptive son of the late Mr. Arthur
23 Hicks and Mrs. Frances Hicks, accepted Christ as his Lord and
24 Savior at an early age and was an active supporter of the
25 laity of the church and was educated at the St. Paul P.B.
26 Church School, Pine Hill, Alabama; and

1 WHEREAS, Reverend Hicks was ordained in the ministry
2 in the West Primitive Baptist Association as pastor and
3 evangelist at various charges in the church including Millwood
4 P.B. Church, Pennington, Alabama; Lovely P.B. Church, Lamison,
5 Alabama, advocating for "ministry outside the four walls of
6 the church"; and

7 WHEREAS, we believe in the words of Paul in
8 Colossians 3:23-25 that encourage us that "whatever you do,
9 work at it with all your heart as working for the Lord not for
10 man since you know that you will receive an inheritance from
11 the Lord as a reward, it is the Lord Christ you are serving";
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Reverend Hicks is the loving husband to the
14 late Ms. Lucile Ball-Hicks and the present Mrs. Inez Hicks and
15 a devoted father of 15 biological children and 10 adoptive
16 children and who would perform any tasks instilled in his
17 family to follow his example and to accept the will of God;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, we believe the words of Paul in II Timothy
20 4:8 that promise us "Henceforth, there is laid up for me a
21 crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge,
22 shall give me at the day and not to me only, but unto all them
23 also that love his appearing"; now therefore,

24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
25 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we bow in humble submission
26 in Him who never makes a mistake and extend works of

1 encouragement of Reverend Hicks and his family in this time of
2 celebration.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
4 resolution shall be given to the family and a copy shall be
5 kept in the church archives humbly submitted on 20th day of
6 March in the year of our Lord, 2016.