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3 By Senators Bussman, Albritton, Allen, Beasley, Blackwell,  
4 Brewbaker, Chambliss, Coleman-Madison, Dial, Dunn, Figures,  
5 Glover, Hightower, Holley, Holtzclaw, Livingston, Marsh,  
6 McClendon, Melson, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford,  
7 Scofield, Shelnut, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Stutts,  
8 Waggoner, Ward, Whatley and Williams  
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8 CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF HOWARD RICHARD  
9 GAMBLE, DMD, FAGD, FICD, FACD.

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11 WHEREAS, with utmost reverence and respect, we  
12 uplift the life and legacy of Howard Richard Gamble, DMD,  
13 FAGD, FICD, and FACD, who passed away December 25, 2015; and

14 WHEREAS, the passing of Howard Richard Gamble leaves  
15 a void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and  
16 the entire community, where he was highly regarded; and

17 WHEREAS, Howard Richard Gamble was an affectionate  
18 husband and father and remarkable mentor and friend who  
19 cultivated a thriving dental practice while actively engaging  
20 in civic and community endeavors; and

21 WHEREAS, Howard Richard Gamble provided exceptional  
22 dental care for his patients; he taught fellow dentists how to  
23 incorporate computers into their practices and motivated many  
24 to pursue organized dentistry; he loved the Academy of  
25 Dentistry, which he served as National Speaker of the House of  
26 Delegates for two terms before being elected as the only  
27 Alabamian ever to become National AGD President; and

1                   WHEREAS, Howard Richard Gamble served as Mayor,  
2                   Police and Fire Commissioner, City Councilman, and Colbert  
3                   County Commissioner for the community of Sheffield, Alabama;  
4                   and

5                   WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted  
6                   wife of 47 years, Sherry, who remained by his side with her  
7                   gentle and gracious Southern presence, beautiful smile, and  
8                   glowing personality; daughter, Allison (Danny B.) McWilliams;  
9                   son, Wesley Gamble; and grandchildren, Abby and Trey  
10                  McWilliams and Hannah and Emily Kemp, who called him "Doc";  
11                  and

12                  WHEREAS, Howard Richard Gamble was a valued member  
13                  of society; although his presence is greatly missed, his  
14                  memory is cherished in the hearts and minds of all those who  
15                  were fortunate enough to know him; now therefore,

16                  BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
17                  HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That while grieving the death of  
18                  Howard Richard Gamble, we are extremely grateful for his  
19                  abundant life, and we offer this resolution in highest tribute  
20                  to his inspiring legacy, as well as in heartfelt sympathy to  
21                  his family and friends.