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3 By Representative Jones  
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF GERALDINE GRIMES BOOTHE.  
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10 WHEREAS, it is with deep sorrow and regret that we  
11 note the lamentable death of Geraldine Grimes Boothe of Opp,  
12 Alabama, on April 18, 2017, at the age of 93 years; she was  
13 the mother of our colleague, Representative Alan Boothe; and

14 WHEREAS, a faithful member of First Baptist Church  
15 of Opp, Mrs. Boothe was a long-time Sunday School teacher; she  
16 graduated from Troy University and taught school in Covington  
17 County for over 44 years; she was also cheerleading and  
18 basketball coach; she served on the State Course of Study  
19 Committee in 1965 and was named Covington County Teacher of  
20 the Year in 1987; and

21 WHEREAS, Mrs. Boothe retired from teaching in 1991  
22 and remained active in the community; she was a member and  
23 officer of the Mizell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and was a  
24 member of several organizations including the Three Arts Club,  
25 the Opp Cultural Arts Center, the Opp Chamber of Commerce, the  
26 Order of the Eastern Star, and the Retired Teachers  
27 Association of Covington County; for almost 70 years, she was

1 involved with Delta Kappa Gamma, an international society of  
2 outstanding women educators, which she served as chapter  
3 president; and

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Boothe also contributed her time to  
5 the Opp Downtown Redevelopment Authority; she is a former Opp  
6 Citizen of the Year and was inducted into the Opp Hall of Fame  
7 in 2016; and

8 WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her husband,  
9 J. C. Boothe; left to cherish her memory are sons, Alan Boothe  
10 (Anne) and Gene Boothe; grandchildren, April Walden, Melissa  
11 Hyche, Shanna Booth, Jason Boothe, and Kevin Boothe; 11  
12 great-grandchildren; siblings, Melvin Grimes, Glenn Grimes,  
13 Sharrie Peterson, and Madonna Johnson; and a host of relatives  
14 and friends, especially Peb Boothe; and

15 WHEREAS, a valued member of the community and loved  
16 by many, we join with others to celebrate her life and to  
17 mourn her death; although her presence will be greatly missed,  
18 her memory will be cherished in the hearts and minds of those  
19 who were fortunate to know her; now therefore,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
21 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Geraldine Grimes  
22 Boothe is recorded with deep sadness, and even as we mourn her  
23 death, we also celebrate her life; this resolution is offered  
24 in highest tribute, along with heartfelt sympathy to her  
25 family, whose grief is shared by many.