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3 By Senators Waggoner, Marsh, Dial, Orr, Blackwell, Smitherman,
4 Coleman-Madison, Pittman, Albritton, Ward, Stutts, Allen,
5 Beasley, Brewbaker, Bussman, Chambliss, Dunn, Figures, Glover,
6 Hightower, Holley, Holtzclaw, Livingston, McClendon, Melson,
7 Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford, Scofield, Shelnett, Singleton,
8 Smith, Whatley and Williams
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10 First Read: 07-FEB-17

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4 ENROLLED, SJR1,

5 CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND MOURNING THE DEATH OF
6 FORMER ALABAMA GOVERNOR ALBERT BREWER.

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8 WHEREAS, it is with deep sorrow and regret that we
9 note the lamentable death of former Governor Albert Preston
10 Brewer, on January 2, 2017, at the age of 88 years; and

11 WHEREAS, Governor Brewer received his undergraduate
12 and law degrees from The University of Alabama; he served in
13 the Alabama House of Representatives from 1954 through 1966,
14 including serving as Speaker of the House from 1963 through
15 1966; he was elected Lieutenant Governor in 1966 and became
16 Governor in 1968 following the death of Governor Lurleen
17 Wallace; and

18 WHEREAS, a devoted member of Mountain Brook Baptist
19 Church, Governor Brewer taught a men's Sunday School Class and
20 served in numerous positions, including as a life deacon and
21 as a trustee; he was loyal to God and his family and served
22 the citizens of Alabama with distinction; and

23 WHEREAS, Governor Brewer joined Samford University
24 in 1987 as a Distinguished Professor of Law and Government
25 teaching in Samford's College of Arts and Sciences and

1 Cumberland School of Law; he served three terms as trustee at
2 Samford and served terms as vice-chair and chair of the
3 executive committee; and

4 WHEREAS, among many initiatives credited to Governor
5 Brewer during his lifetime of public service are the creation
6 of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education, the Education
7 Study Commission, the Alabama Development Office, the state
8 motor pool, and the Public Affairs Research Council of
9 Alabama; and

10 WHEREAS, Governor Brewer's life set a standard for
11 integrity and professionalism in public service to which all
12 public servants can aspire; and

13 WHEREAS, Governor Brewer was preceded in death by
14 Martha Farmer Brewer, his beloved wife of 56 years; and
15 daughter Becky Cooper; he is survived by daughter, Alison
16 Calhoun; sons-in-law, James Cooper, Jr., and Mark F. Calhoun;
17 grandchildren, Mary Martha (Andrew) Knowlton, Katie Calhoun
18 (Geoff) Johnson, and James Preston (Lauren) Cooper;
19 great-grandchildren, Elizabeth Ann Cooper, McClain Knowlton,
20 Mary Austin Knowlton, Anne Yates Knowlton, and Charles Brewer
21 Johnson; a host of other relatives, a multitude of former
22 coworkers, students, and friends; now therefore,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
24 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Governor Albert
25 P. Brewer is recorded with deep sadness, and even as we mourn

1 his death, we also celebrate his life; this resolution is
2 offered in highest tribute to his life, along with heartfelt
3 sympathy to his family and friends, whose grief is shared by
4 many.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 07-FEB-17
I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris
Secretary

House of Representatives
Adopted: 09-FEB-17

By: Senator Waggoner