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3 By Representatives Weaver, Oliver, Alexander, Allen, Baker,
4 Ball, Blackshear, Boyd, Bracy, Brown (C), Brown (K), Carns,
5 Chestnut, Clarke, Clouse, Coleman, Collins, Crawford, Daniels,
6 Dismukes, Drake, Drummond, Easterbrook, Ellis, England, Estes,
7 Farley, Faulkner, Faust, Fincher, Forte, Fridy, Garrett,
8 Gaston, Givan, Gray, Greer, Grimsley, Hall, Hanes, Harbison,
9 Hatcher, Hill, Hollis, Holmes, Howard, Hurst, Ingram, Isbell,
10 Jackson, Johnson, Jones (M), Jones (S), Kiel, Kitchens,
11 Lawrence, Ledbetter, Lee, Lipscomb, Lovvorn, Marques, Martin,
12 McCampbell, McClammy, McCutcheon, McMillan, Mooney, Moore (M),
13 Moore (P), Morris, Nordgren, Pettus, Poole, Pringle, Rafferty,
14 Reynolds, Rich, Robertson, Rogers, Rowe, Sanderford, Scott,
15 Sells, Shaver, Shedd, Shiver, Simpson, Sorrell, Sorrells,
16 South, Stadthagen, Standridge, Stringer, Sullivan, Treadaway,
17 Wadsworth, Warren, Wheeler, Whitt, Whorton, Wilcox, Wingo,
18 Wood (D) and Wood (R)
19 RFD:
20 First Read: 31-MAY-19

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8 CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND MOURNING THE DEATH OF
9 REPRESENTATIVE JAMES M. MARTIN.

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11 WHEREAS, with immense sadness, we record the
12 untimely death of our friend and colleague, Representative
13 James M. Martin of Clanton, Alabama, on May 31, 2019, at the
14 age of 80 years; and

15 WHEREAS, Representative Jimmy Martin served District
16 42, consisting of Autauga and Chilton Counties, in the Alabama
17 House of Representatives, spanning the years of 1998 to 2010
18 and again from 2014 to the time of his death; he was
19 dedicated, deliberate, and decisive, and represented his rural
20 Alabama constituents as a humble, hard-working man who was
21 fair, pragmatic, unassuming, generous, and dependable; and

22 WHEREAS, his knowledge and understanding of the
23 legislative process, and his ability to accept an outcome and
24 move forward regardless of differences and political
25 affiliations, enabled him to apply rules in a respectful and
26 sometimes humorous, yet resourceful fashion; he demonstrated
27 his obvious love for his family, his state, and politics by

1 playing an invaluable role as a friend, mentor, confidant, and
2 counselor for family, fellow members, and staff; he embraced
3 the give and take of the legislative dialogue while vigorously
4 representing his constituents and treating others with all due
5 deference; and

6 WHEREAS, a graduate of Gupton College,
7 Representative Martin was a mortician and co-owner of Martin
8 Funeral Home in Clanton; he was a faithful member of First
9 Baptist Church in Clanton; and

10 WHEREAS, left to cherish his memory are his wife,
11 Norma; children, Jim (Vicky) Martin, and Kim (Shane) Robinson;
12 several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a host of
13 other relatives, co-workers, and friends; and

14 WHEREAS, his appearance of a good "ole" country boy
15 belied a man of intelligence and integrity; an exceptional
16 lawmaker who freely exercised his down-home sense of fair
17 play, even temperament, and humor, Representative Martin will
18 be immeasurably missed; now therefore,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
20 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we grievously mourn the death
21 of our dear friend and colleague Representative Jimmy Martin,
22 and extend our deepest condolences to his family and friends;
23 copies of this resolution shall be presented to his family
24 along with our sincere sympathy for the loss of this
25 outstanding Alabamian and public servant.