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3 By Senators Roberts, Smitherman, Albritton, Allen, Barfoot,  
4 Beasley, Burkette, Butler, Chambliss, Chesteen,  
5 Coleman-Madison, Dunn, Elliott, Figures, Givhan, Gudger,  
6 Holley, Jones, Livingston, Marsh, McClendon, Melson, Orr,  
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. JUDY MADDOX CARNS.  
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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the  
11 death on January 25, 2020, of Mrs. Judy Maddox Carns of  
12 Birmingham, Alabama; and

13 WHEREAS, her passing leaves a void in the lives of  
14 her loving family, many friends, and the entire community,  
15 where she was highly regarded; and

16 WHEREAS, Alabama House Majority Leader Nathaniel  
17 Ledbetter said, "serving in elected office requires a  
18 full-time commitment not only from the candidate whose name  
19 goes on the ballot, but also from the spouse who loves and  
20 supports them; Judy Carns played that important role for State  
21 Representative Jim Carns for decades and the love they shared  
22 was apparent to all who were around them; Mrs. Carns was a  
23 longtime conservative activist who worked hard to promote the  
24 political positions and the Republican candidates in which she  
25 believed; she was a positive and energetic influence upon  
26 every campaign in which she worked"; and

1           WHEREAS, Judy and Jim traveled extensively and she  
2 shared the gospel of Jesus Christ at every opportunity; she  
3 was involved in many women's Bible studies and she had a heart  
4 for Israel and Judeo-Christian values; she was a prayer  
5 warrior; she interceded for many persons and situations daily;  
6 her favorite woman in the Bible was Queen Esther who  
7 interceded for her people; Mrs. Carns saw the fingerprint of  
8 God on everything, especially nature; and

9           WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her parents,  
10 Arthur Clarence Maddox, Jr., and Willie Dean Smith Maddox; and  
11 sister, Jenny Maddox Connolly; and

12           WHEREAS, survivors include her beloved husband of 56  
13 years, State Representative James Walton Carns; children,  
14 Christa Carns Lidikay (Tad), James Walton Carns, Jr., and  
15 Matthew Joseph Carns; grandchildren, Laine Walton Lidikay,  
16 Samuel Tilden Lidikay, McClure Maddox Lidikay, Parker James  
17 Carns, Charlotte Katherine Carns, and Olivia Faye Carns;  
18 brothers, Jackie Ray Maddox and John Terry Maddox (Patsy); and  
19 a host of other family and friends; and

20           WHEREAS, although her presence will be greatly  
21 missed, the memory of Mrs. Carns will be cherished in the  
22 hearts of all who knew and loved her; now therefore,

23           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
24 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Judy Maddox  
25 Carns is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is  
26 offered in tribute to her life and with heartfelt sympathy to  
27 her family, whose grief is shared by many.

