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3 By Representative Oliver
4 RFD:
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MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. RONNIE JEFFERSON BETTS.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the death on September 15, 2021, of Mr. Ronnie Jefferson Betts of Alexander City, Alabama, at the age of 74 years; and

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Betts was born on October 5, 1946, in Alexander City, Alabama, to Nerie Jefferson Betts and Alice Laverne Caldwell Betts; and

WHEREAS, he was an active member of Hillabee Baptist Church where he sang in the choir and served as chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee; he was very active in the Alexander City Camp of Gideons International; and

WHEREAS, Chief Betts joined the Alexander City Fire Department in 1974, and retired as Chief in 2008; after retirement, he worked as a funeral service associate at Radney and Langley Funeral Home; he was a big fan of Southern Gospel Music and hosted the Sunday Morning Gospel Jubilee on Kowaliga

1 Country and Gospel Heritage Video on WAXC-TV; he was a big
2 University of Alabama fan and enjoyed keeping his lawn
3 immaculate; of all the jobs he held, his favorite was being
4 Paw Paw; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Betts was preceded in death by his
6 parents; and

7 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved wife, Mrs.
8 Darlene Betts; daughter, Twila Gordon (Scotty); sons, Jeffrey
9 Todd Betts (Kecia) and Nicholas Betts (Courtney);
10 grandchildren, Douglas Betts, Braxton Betts, Valerie Baty
11 (Zach), Kelly Bierley, Chelsea Howard (Austin), Hallie Gordon,
12 Emma Betts, and Ellie Betts; great-granddaughter, Adelynn
13 Baty; special cousins, Brenda Jordan (Ed) and Patsy Hallman;
14 and a host of other relatives and friends; and

15 WHEREAS, although his presence will be greatly
16 missed, the memory of Mr. Betts will be cherished in the
17 hearts of all who knew and loved him; now therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
19 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. Ronnie
20 Jefferson Betts is recorded with deep sadness, and this
21 resolution is offered in tribute to his life and with
22 heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is shared by
23 many.