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3 By Senator Chambliss  
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MOURNING THE DEATH OF FRANK RIVES HOUSTON.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the death on April 7, 2021, of Frank Rives Houston, at the age of 80; 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; Mr. Houston was born to Leonard Preston Houston and Matilda Rives Houston; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Houston graduated from Huntingdon College; he worked at Alfa Insurance for 37 years beginning as an Underwriter in 1963; he progressed quickly to Chief Auditor, Manager of Data Processing, and then to Vice President; he held several Vice President positions during his career; he was instrumental to Alfa's success and growth; he was often tasked with setting up new departments, fixing broken ones, or seeking technology to improve efficiency; during his time at Alfa he directly influenced the company's growth from an Alabama Fire Insurance provider to a corporation that provides a full range of insurance protection

1 in multiple states; his leadership and mentoring helped  
2 develop many successful employees; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Houston became Mayor of the Town of  
4 Coosada in 1979; he worked with the Town Council to build the  
5 Town Hall and Fire Station; he was instrumental in the  
6 planning and building of the Montgomery Expressway Toll  
7 Bridge; he was heavily involved with the planning and  
8 acquisition of land for the Coosada and Alabama River  
9 Parkways; he was an active member of Millbrook First United  
10 Methodist Church; and

11 WHEREAS, he is predeceased by his parents; wife,  
12 Mildred "Mit" Cobb Houston; daughter, Frances Bernice Houston;  
13 and brother, Robert "Rob" Houston; and

14 WHEREAS, he is survived by sons, Steve Houston  
15 (Sandy) and Jim Houston (Donna); brother, John Houston (Rita);  
16 grandchildren, Cole Houston, Reagan Houston, Tyson Houston,  
17 Jarrett Houston, Cody Cowan (Lauren), and Nick Cowan; and a  
18 host of other relatives and many friends; now therefore,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
20 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Frank Rives  
21 Houston is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is  
22 offered in tribute to his life, along with heartfelt sympathy  
23 to his family, whose grief is shared by many.