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3 By Representatives Clarke, Drummond, Jones (S) and Bracy  
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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MR. CHARLES WILLIAM GREENE,  
9 JR.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the  
12 death on February 23, 2022, of Mr. Charles "Bookie" William  
13 Greene, Jr. at the age of 86; and

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

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Greene was born on August 7, 1935, to  
18 Charles W. Greene, Sr. and Mary Louise Dunn Greene; and

19 WHEREAS, a native of Mobile, Alabama, Mr. Greene  
20 lived in the Historic Down-The-Bay Community most of his life  
21 and attended Council Elementary School and Mobile County  
22 Training High School; following high school, he enlisted in  
23 the military, where he faithfully served his country in the  
24 United States Marine Corps; later, he furthered his education  
25 by attending Spaulding Business School; on July 6, 1957, he  
26 married the love of his life, Vernetta Odom Greene; and

1           WHEREAS, Mr. Greene worked at various businesses  
2 throughout his life, including Jiffy Poultry; Alabama Dry Dock  
3 and Ship Building, where he worked over 25 years and  
4 simultaneously managed Club Debonair at night and later  
5 established the Pink Panther Lounge; and Texaco Service  
6 Station on Broad Street, where he was co-owner and operator  
7 alongside his father; he was also a faithful member of Bethel  
8 A.M.E. Church, where he served dutifully on the Trustee Board  
9 and the Eloise Calloway Usher Board; and

10           WHEREAS, Mr. Greene touched many lives with his  
11 generous spirit, kind heart, and down-to-earth realness; he  
12 always spoke his mind, and his contributions to his family,  
13 church, community, and the city he loved will never be  
14 forgotten; and

15           WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents;  
16 son, Terance Jerrod Greene; sister, Patricia Taylor; and  
17 brothers, Thomas Edward Greene and Raymond LeBaron Greene; and

18           WHEREAS, Mr. Greene is survived by his devoted wife  
19 of 64 years, Vernetta Odom Greene; daughters, Michele Wilson  
20 (Horatio), Reverend Pamela Irby (Seymour), Dawn Lowry  
21 (Samuel), Reverend Charlotte Greene, and Nadine Carey;  
22 grandchildren, Amber Wilson, Sabrina Wilson, Sebastian Wilson  
23 (Oslynn), Matthew Lowry, Zachary Lowry, Alexis Carey, and  
24 Levon Carey; sister, Doris Greene Calloway; sisters-in-law,  
25 Theola Greene and Lillian Louise Dunn; and a host of beloved  
26 nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and close friends;  
27 and

1                   WHEREAS, although his presence will be greatly  
2 missed, the memory of Mr. Greene will be cherished in the  
3 hearts of all who knew and loved him; now therefore,

4                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
5 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mr. Charles  
6 "Bookie" William Greene, Jr. is recorded with deep sadness,  
7 and this resolution is offered in tribute to his life, along  
8 with heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is shared  
9 by many.