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1 2 3 4 HR MOURNING THE DEATH OF GERTHA FOSTER HERNDON. 5 WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness that we note the 6 death on March 19, 2023, of Mrs. Gertha Foster Herndon, at 7 8 the age of 95 years; and WHEREAS, her passing leaves a void in the lives of 9 10 her loving family, many friends, and the entire community where she was highly regarded; and 11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Herndon, born on August 8, 2027, was 12 13 the fifth child born to Abraham Foster, Sr. and Callie Porter Foster in Glennville, Alabama, in Russell County; and 14 15 WHEREAS, she was educated in the Russell County 16 School System; and she accepted Christ as her Savior at an early age and united with St. John A.M.E. Church of 17 Glennville, Alabama; and 18 19 WHEREAS Mrs. Herndon united in holy matrimony with Mr. James I. Herndon on November 24, 1948; this union lasted 20 21 for 74 years and 3 months, and was blessed with four 22 children; she proudly served as Mother of the Church at 23 Greenwood Missionary Baptist Church of Fitzpatrick, Alabama 24 for 33 years; and 25 WHEREAS, Mrs. Herndon was preceded in death by her 26 parents; five siblings; and her son, James F. Herndon; and 27 WHEREAS, survivors include her daughters, Ernestine H. Btyant, Icyphine H. Welcher (Hannie) and Helen H. Jones; 28

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29 sisters, Mary Welborn and Ruby Flanagan; nine grandchildren, 30 and 10 great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives 31 and friends; and

32 WHEREAS, although her presence will be greatly 33 missed, the memory of Mrs. Herndon will be cherished in the 34 hearts of all who knew and loved her; now therefore,

35 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 36 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Mrs. Gertha Foster 37 Herndon is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution 38 is offered in tribute to her life and with heartfelt 39 sympathy to her family, whose grief is shared by many.