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SJR\_\_\_ MOURNING THE DEATH OF MS. AMY FRANCES HERRING.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the death on April 18, 2023, of Ms. Amy Frances Herring of Montgomery, Alabama, at the age of 66; and

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

WHEREAS, a native of Headland in Houston County, Alabama, Ms. Herring earned a degree in journalism from Troy University; following graduation, she began her journalism career covering politics for The Montgomery Advertiser; subsequently, after assisting former Senator Jim Bennett with his successful campaign for Alabama Secretary of State, Ms. Herring became Assistant Secretary of State and later was one of the first women in Alabama to start her own contract lobbying firm; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Herring was always full of life and was fun, interesting, and effervescent; she loved spending time with and entertaining loved ones; traveling the world with her partner of many years, Winston "Windy" Leavell; cooking; and visiting New Orleans and its famous restaurants; and



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26           WHEREAS, a woman with a kind, caring, and selfless  
27 heart, Ms. Herring took care of and supported her friends  
28 through personal and political trials, jury trials, career  
29 challenges, job changes, and filibusters; and

30           WHEREAS, Ms. Herring is survived by her longtime  
31 partner; precious dog, Maggie; and a multitude of friends  
32 whom she called family; and

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

36           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
37 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Ms. Amy Frances  
38 Herring is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution  
39 is offered in tribute to her life, along with heartfelt  
40 sympathy to her family, whose grief is shared by many.