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HJR___ CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JAMES ALVIN
LITTLETON.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the death of United States Army Veteran James Alvin "Jim" Littleton, on January 25, 2024, at the age of 84; his passing leaves a void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and the community where he was highly regarded; and

WHEREAS, Jim Littleton was born on October 28, 1939, to Weltha Littleton Long in Fort Gaines, Georgia; at the age of 16, he matriculated at Tuskegee Institute and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Commercial Industries in 1960; and

WHEREAS, following college graduation, Jim Littleton joined the United States Army and served active duty in Korea near the demilitarized zone as a radio operator; and

WHEREAS, after returning to Tuskegee, he married the love of his life and college sweetheart, Hazel Pope, on March 16, 1963; he continued his military service in the U.S. Army Reserves, became active with the Masonic Lodge, and became an instructor for students enrolled in Tuskegee Institute's Industrial and Commercial Technology curriculum; in 1968, he earned his Master's Degree in Guidance and Personnel Services from Tuskegee Institute; and



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29 WHEREAS, a strong work ethic coupled with a drive to
30 ensure fair and equitable job opportunities for others
31 propelled Jim Littleton into key management positions with
32 nationally recognized companies such as International
33 Harvester and General Electric; his continued advocacy for
34 improved workforce training and livable wages in Alabama's
35 manufacturing sector was recognized when he was appointed in
36 1979 as Executive Assistant to Governor Fob James to serve
37 as liason to specific state agencies that engaged in labor
38 relations, personnel, and economic development issues; Jim
39 remained in this position until 1983; and

40 WHEREAS, Jim Littleton continued to work for the
41 betterment of his community by serving in various roles,
42 including Associate Parole Board Member, Legislative
43 Coordinator at Alabama Arise, and Director of Community and
44 Economic Development at ADECA until his retirement; and

45 WHEREAS, following his retirement, Jim Littleton
46 remained an active and devoted church member at Saint John's
47 African Methodist Church by serving as Steward Emeritus,
48 singing in the Male and Senior Choirs, and taking part in
49 many community outreach programs; and

50 WHEREAS, Jim Littleton remained a member in good
51 standing in the Lewis Adams Masonic Lodge #67 in Tuskegee
52 where he was a 33rd degree Sovereign Grand Inspector General
53 of the United Supreme Council Prince Hall Affiliation,
54 Southern Jurisdiction; Noble of the Mystic Shrine; Past
55 Master/Emeritus Officer Alabama Grand Council; and Master
56 Mason; and



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57 WHEREAS, left to treasure his beloved memory are his
58 beloved wife, Hazel Pope Littleton; children, Michael
59 Littleton (Della) and Darryl Littleton (Laneita);
60 grandchildren, Brandon Littleton (Crystal), Sgt. Braxton
61 Littleton, Hannah Littleton, and Jonathan Littleton; as well
62 as many close cousins, extended family, and friends; and

63 WHEREAS, although his presence will be greatly
64 missed, the memory of Jim Littleton will be cherished in the
65 hearts of all who knew and loved him; his dedication to
66 improving the working conditions for all surely benefited
67 all Alabamians; now therefore,

68 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
69 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of James Alvin
70 Littleton is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution
71 is offered in tribute to his life and service to others,
72 along with heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is
73 shared by many.