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HR_____ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
CLAYTON DAVIS.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the death on October 14, 2023, of Clayton Keith Davis, of Ozark, Alabama, at the age of 68; his passing leaves a void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and the community where he was highly regarded; and

WHEREAS, Clayton Davis was born on February 23, 1955, in Birmingham to Delores Thrasher Davis and Billy Keith Davis; he showed early signs of intelligence and read proficiently by age three; and

WHEREAS, he was a gifted pianist and organist, and at a young age he began winning prestigious piano competitions across the State of Alabama; when he was only 13, he was hired as the University Baptist Church organist in Huntsville, where he grew up; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis graduated from Virgil I. Grissom High School, Class of 1973; he matriculated to The University of Alabama and earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics, Piano, and German, graduating in 1975 *magna cum laude*; he graduated from The University of Alabama School of Law in 1978; and

WHEREAS, Clayton Davis is remembered by his peers as a man dedicated to service, and he spent most of his career



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29 working as a champion for older Americans; he began
30 practicing law in 1979, with offices in Dothan, Montgomery,
31 and Mobile; his firm contracted with Area Agencies on Aging
32 to provide legal assistance under Title III of the Older
33 Americans Act; insurance counseling to Medicare
34 beneficiaries under the State Health Insurance Program; and
35 he worked tirelessly with Medicare recipients through the
36 Senior Medicare Fraud and Prevention Program; and

37 WHEREAS, during the highlight of his career, he
38 served over 54 counties in Alabama; gave hundreds of
39 presentations on various legal topics to professionals and
40 caregivers; and helped thousands of older Alabamians
41 maintain independent lives; and

42 WHEREAS, in his private practice he focused on Social
43 Security Disability, Estate and Medicaid Planning, and
44 Wills/Probate; at the time of his death, he was the
45 President of the Board of Directors for the Alabama Family
46 Trust; Clayton Davis devoted his life and practice to
47 helping those who could not help themselves; and

48 WHEREAS, Clayton Davis is preceeded in death by his
49 mother, Delores Thrasher Davis; and spouse, Hoyt Early, with
50 whom he spent many enjoyable years restoring the 1900
51 Historic Dowling-Steagal House; and

52 WHEREAS, left to treasure his legacy are his father;
53 sister, Dr. Ruth Yvonne Davis; brother, Lyle Thrasher Davis
54 (Svetlana); niece, Bridget Elizabeth; and husband, Michael
55 Lee Allums; as well as a host of other much loved family and
56 friends; and



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57 WHEREAS, although his presence will be greatly
58 missed, the memory of Clayton Davis will be cherished in the
59 hearts of all who knew and loved him; now therefore,

60 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
61 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Clayton Keith
62 Davis is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is
63 offered in tribute to his life and service to others, along
64 with heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is shared
65 by many.