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3 By Representative Lawrence
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4 HR_____ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
5 GWENDOLYN WENDELL WILLIAMS PETERSON.
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7 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the
8 death of Gwendolyn Wendell Williams Peterson of Union
9 Springs, Alabama, at the age of 76; her departure leaves a
10 void in the lives of her loving family, many friends, and
11 the community where she was highly regarded; and

12 WHEREAS, born on October 23, 1948, Gwendolyn was
13 blessed with a loving family; she was a high spirited,
14 determined, intelligent, and nurturing child; growing up as
15 the youngest of four children, life was never dull; she
16 would go on to have three children of her own, Mildretta,
17 Shenita, and Brandon, along with six grandchildren, 11
18 great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces and nephews; and

19 WHEREAS, Ms. Peterson earned her Bachelor of Science
20 and Master of Education degrees from Alabama State
21 University; using the skills given to her and ones she
22 learned, she became a devoted educator for 43 years; and

23 WHEREAS, while serving as an educator, Ms. Peterson
24 also vastly contributed to her community, including being a
25 member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated; First
26 Baptist Church of Greater Washington Park; AERA District 7
27 Director; Alabama State University Foundation Board; Alabama
28 Silver-Haired Legislature; AARP Legislative Representative;



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29 Mighty Marching Hornets Band Boosters; and was an active
30 member of several local Retirees' Associations, including
31 Montgomery, Lowndes, Macon, Butler, Russell, Bullock, and
32 Elmore Counties; and

33 WHEREAS, Ms. Peterson was preceded in death by her
34 parents, Catha and Gladys Williams; and brother, Clifton
35 Williams; she will be lovingly remembered by her children,
36 Mildretta, Shenita, and Brandon (Sheikina); her children's
37 father, Andrew Peterson; grandchildren, Kierra Peterson,
38 Kenneth Dorsey (Martine), Kyvante (Hydreias), and Shenika
39 Peterson; great-grandchildren, Tequan Hall, Arsenio Hall,
40 Jr., Skyler Hall, Kennedy Dorsey, Amauri Rudolph, Meriah
41 Peterson, Noarah Peterson, Neriah Peterson, Kendrick
42 Peterson, Kendall Peterson, and Aiden Peterson; and

43 WHEREAS, Gwendolyn Peterson's life was a testament to
44 love, leadership, and service; she will be deeply missed,
45 yet her spirit will live on in the hearts of those she
46 touched; now therefore,

47 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
48 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Gwendolyn Wendell
49 Williams Peterson is recorded with deep sadness, and this
50 resolution is offered to her family in tribute to her life
51 and with heartfelt sympathy to her loved ones whose grief is
52 shared by many.