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4 HR_____ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF LILLIE
5 VIOLA CARSTARPHEN WILLIAMS.

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7 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the 8 death on April 7, 2025, of Lillie Viola Carstarphen 9 Williams, of Thomasville, Alabama, at the age of 82; her 10 passing leaves a void in the lives of her loving family, 11 many friends, and the community, where she was highly 12 regarded; and

13 WHEREAS, Lillie Williams was born on March 9, 1943, 14 in Lower Peachtree, Alabama, to the union of Louella Patrick 15 Carstarphen and Earnest Carstarphen, Sr., the ninth of 14 16 children; and

WHEREAS, after moving to Thomasville, she joined the Thomasville Church of God in Christ under the leadership of Dr. Jimmy Allen, whom she loved dearly; and

20 WHEREAS, while Lillie Williams delighted in many 21 things, nothing made her happier than her large and growing 22 family; she was blessed to marry Curlie Lee Williams, Jr., 23 and they remained lovingly devoted to each other until his 24 passing; together, they created a warm and welcoming home 25 for their six sons and two daughters; and

26 WHEREAS, Lillie Williams is preceded in death by her
27 parents; husband; grandchild, Hannah Nicole Williams;
28 brothers, Joe David Carstarphen, Freddie Lee Carstarphen,

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Leroy Carstarphen, John Henry Carstarphen, Willie James Carstarphen, and Wilson Carstarphen; sister, Annie Jean Carstarphen Rodgers; nephew, William Carstarphen; and niece, Earnestine Gulley; and

33 WHEREAS, left to treasure her memory are her children, Elder Jimmy Williams (Renae), Curlie Williams III, 34 35 Otis Williams (Pamela), Freddie Williams (Lisa), Denise 36 Williams, Earnest Williams (Kewanna), Reginald Williams, and 37 Tiffany Williams; 30 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; 38 siblings, Virginia C. Portis, Minnie Pearl Carstarphen, Eliza Hammond, Ola Williams, Bobby Earl Carstarphen, Earnest 39 Carstarphen (Dorethea), Percy Carstarphen (Josephine), James 40 41 Charles "J.C." Carstarphen, and Jessie Lee Carstarphen; and 42 many other devoted and loving extended family members, bonus 43 children, and friends; and

44 WHEREAS, although her presence will be greatly 45 missed, the memory of Lillie Williams will be cherished in 46 the hearts of all who knew and loved her; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Lillie Viola Carstarphen Williams is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is offered in tribute to her life and service to others, along with heartfelt sympathy to her family, whose grief is shared by many.