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3 By Representative Jackson
4 RFD:
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4 HR_____ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
5 CHARLES OWEN BURDEN, SR.
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7 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the
8 death of Charles Owen Burden, Sr. on April 19, 2025, at the
9 age of 69; his departure leaves a void in the lives of his
10 loving family, many friends, and the community where he was
11 highly regarded; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Burden was born on December 18, 1955, as
13 the cherished eighth child of the late Earlean and Earnest
14 Johnson Burden, Sr. and grandson of the late Melvina Clark
15 and Owen Gwin; and

16 WHEREAS, he was a devoted husband of 42 years to
17 Sandra Hendricks Burden, a loving father to Ashley Burden
18 and Charles Burden, Jr., and a beloved brother to Earnestine
19 Turner, Mary Daffin, Samuel Burden, Shirley Burden, Deidra
20 Burden, Irma Burden, Gwendolyn Montgomery, Randall Burden,
21 Sr., and the late Mattie Burden and Earnest Burden, Jr.; and

22 WHEREAS, he was a caring uncle to many nieces and
23 nephews, including Shelia Burden, Patricia Coats, Cheryl
24 McDole, and Percy Michael Jones, and a brother-in-law to
25 Samuel Daffin I, Samuel Montgomery, Diane and Duane Watkins,
26 Terri and Theodore Hendricks, Jr., Bonnie Burns, Gayle and
27 Tom Ruther, Robin Scott Miles, Nancy Williams Burden, and
28 Varice James Burden; and



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29 WHEREAS, he was a cousin to many and a dear friend to
30 countless others, his life and legacy touching all who had
31 the privilege of knowing him; and

32 WHEREAS, he honorably served his country as a
33 dedicated member of the United States Army for 21 years,
34 displaying courage, integrity, and commitment to the ideals
35 of freedom and democracy; and

36 WHEREAS, Charles Owen Burden, Sr. was a proud
37 graduate of Jackson High School, Class of 1974, and remained
38 a pillar of strength, wisdom, and kindness to his family and
39 community; now therefore,

40 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
41 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Charles Owen
42 Burden, Sr. is recorded with deep sadness, and this
43 resolution is offered to his family in tribute to his life
44 and with heartfelt sympathy to his loved ones whose grief is
45 shared by many.