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HR\_\_\_\_\_ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND  
LEGACY OF JOHN HACKETT, JR.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the passing of John Hackett, Jr. of Birmingham, Alabama, on February 23, 2026, while we also celebrate his long, accomplished life that ended at the age of 82; and

WHEREAS, John was a proud alumnus, dedicated leader, and longtime District 7 member of the Alabama A&M University (AAMU) Board of Trustees; his departure leaves a void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and the community where he was highly regarded; and

WHEREAS, born in Birmingham on January 17, 1944, John was a 1965 graduate of AAMU, earning a Bachelor's degree in Building Construction Engineering; he often spoke fondly of his student days on "The Hill," reflecting a lifelong love for his alma mater and its mission; and

WHEREAS, John served as President of the AAMU National Alumni Association from 2012 to 2014, helping to strengthen alumni engagement and support for the institution; his leadership was marked by humility, dedication, and an unwavering commitment to advancing the University's future; and

WHEREAS, professionally, John was CEO of J.H. Jr. & Associates, LLC; he began his career teaching woodworking in



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29 the Birmingham and Vestavia school systems for approximately  
30 seven years before embarking on more than 35 years of  
31 service with the City of Birmingham, the Housing Authority  
32 of the Birmingham District, and Alabama Power Company;  
33 throughout his career, he held various leadership roles and  
34 developed expertise in planning, maintenance management,  
35 construction, purchasing, inventory management, warehousing,  
36 and administration; and

37 WHEREAS, John pursued additional professional  
38 certifications in park and recreation maintenance management  
39 and master maintenance management from North Carolina State  
40 University, and he completed maintenance management  
41 certifications at The University of Alabama; and

42 WHEREAS, John was a member of the Alpha Phi Chapter  
43 of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated, and remained  
44 active in civic and community life; he and his wife of  
45 nearly 45 years, the former Lila Morgan, built a legacy  
46 rooted in faith, family, and service; in addition to his  
47 beloved wife, he is survived by four children, seven  
48 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren; and

49 WHEREAS, the influence of John Hackett will live on  
50 through the countless lives he shaped; now therefore,

51 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
52 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of John Hackett, Jr.  
53 is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is  
54 offered in tribute to his life and service to others, along  
55 with heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is shared  
56 by many.