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HR\_\_\_\_\_ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF ILA  
FRANCES KIMBRELL CORNELIUS.

WHEREAS, the death of Mrs. Ila Frances Kimbrell  
Cornelius of Thomasville, Alabama, on February 21, 2026, is  
noted with sadness, and her 84 years of life are commended  
and celebrated with thanksgiving; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cornelius was born on August 2, 1941,  
in Columbus, Mississippi, to Basil Manning and Maureen  
Funderburk, and was raised in a manner that reflected the  
values she later demonstrated in her life and work; and

WHEREAS, she devoted a portion of her life to the  
field of education, serving as an educator and positively  
influencing the youth through her dedication, guidance, and  
commitment to learning; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cornelius was a member of Thomasville  
United Methodist Church, where her faith was an important  
part of her life; and

WHEREAS, left to cherish her memory are her husband,  
Theodore Reid Cornelius; sons, Pat Cornelius and Reid  
Cornelius; daughter, Amy Cornelius Carlisle; grandchildren,  
Abby Cornelius Boothe, Ethan Cornelius, Sam Cornelius, Bryce  
Carlisle, Darby Cornelius, and Brock Cornelius; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cornelius was a valuable member of the  
community who loved her home and her family and who formed



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29 many special friendships through the years; she will be  
30 sorrowfully missed, but the memory of her good deeds remains  
31 and she will be forever treasured in the hearts of those  
32 whose lives she shared; now therefore,

33 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
34 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That while mourning the death of  
35 Mrs. Ila Frances Kimbrell Cornelius, it is comforting to  
36 remember her long and abundant life, and this resolution is  
37 offered to her grieving family with heartfelt sympathy.