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HR_____ MOURNING THE DEATH OF JOYCE DENISE MORTON.

WHEREAS, the death of Mrs. Joyce Denise Morton of Mobile, Alabama, on March 30, 2026, is noted with sadness, and her life of 70 years is commended and celebrated with thanksgiving; and

WHEREAS, born April 8, 1956, to Fannie Mae and Frederick Douglas Morton, Sr., Mrs. Joyce Denise Morton lived a life defined by love, strength, and devotion to her family and community; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Murphy High School, Class of 1974, Mrs. Morton was a lifelong and devoted member of Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Church; and

WHEREAS, affectionately known as "Niecey," "Nanny," and "Granny," she was known for her kindness, loving spirit, and vibrant personality, leaving a lasting impression on all who had the privilege of knowing her; and

WHEREAS, she found joy in reading, staying informed about the world around her, and expressing her creativity through art, reflecting a thoughtful and spirited nature; and

WHEREAS, above all, she cherished her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, to whom she devoted her time, love, and wisdom, taking great pride in their growth and happiness; and



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29 WHEREAS, she is preceded in death by her parents;
30 beloved stepfather, Ulysses L. Winchester; cherished
31 siblings, Frances Elaine Morton, Frederick Douglas Morton,
32 and Johnny Lorenzo Morton; dear nephew, William L. Campbell;
33 brother-in-law, Michael T. Streeter, Sr.; sister-in-law,
34 Sherlean Calhoun; and devoted cousin, Sandra LaMerle
35 Kennedy-Owes; and

36 WHEREAS, left to cherish her memory are her devoted
37 daughters, Jennifer Morton (Darryl), Jewel Rhodes (Roy),
38 Arria Morton (Brandon), and Alita Morton; loving sisters,
39 Samone Dixon (Michael), Cathy Millsap (Bruce), Allison
40 Streeter, Lisa Morton, and Pamela Jackson; brothers, William
41 Morton (Harriet) and Linden Jackson; devoted aunt, Mary B.
42 Kennedy; devoted cousins, Thelma Kennedy-Malveaux and Ronnie
43 Morton; and cherished grandchildren, nieces, nephews,
44 cousins, extended family, and a host of friends; and

45 WHEREAS, Mrs. Morton was a valuable member of her
46 community who loved her home and her family and who formed
47 many special friendships through the years; she will be
48 sorrowfully missed, but her influence remains, and her
49 memory will be forever treasured in the hearts of those
50 whose lives she shared; now therefore,

51 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
52 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That while mourning the death of
53 Mrs. Joyce Denise Morton, it is comforting to remember her
54 generous and gracious life, and this resolution is offered
55 to her grieving family with heartfelt sympathy.