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4 HR\_\_\_\_\_ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF BRAZIL  
5 SIMON, JR.

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7 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the  
8 passing of Brazil Simon, Jr. of Mobile, Alabama, on January  
9 10, 2026, while we also celebrate his long, fulfilling life  
10 that ended at the age of 82; and

11 WHEREAS, his departure leaves a void in the lives of  
12 his loving family, many friends, and the community where he  
13 was highly regarded; and

14 WHEREAS, Brazil "B.S." Simon, Jr. was born on January  
15 25, 1943, to Viola and Brazil Simon, Sr.; he accepted Christ  
16 at a young age and was a devoted member of Most Pure Heart  
17 of Mary Catholic Church; B.S. was a dedicated Catholic who  
18 often walked downtown to the cathedral to pray; and

19 WHEREAS, B.S. has always been a hard worker; growing  
20 up, his father had so many animals in their yard, that he  
21 was known for having the "neighborhood zoo"; it was the  
22 responsibility of B.S. to feed the animals daily; and

23 WHEREAS, Brazil was also a well-known entrepreneur  
24 and master shoe shiner; he was a sharp dresser and loved  
25 fashion; he shined shoes at Abrams Barber Shop for many  
26 years, and after the closing of Abrams, he continued shining  
27 shoes at his house; B.S. was also a waiter at various  
28 restaurants and clubs; he earned a reputation for being one

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29 of the best at both jobs; and

30 WHEREAS, B.S. was preceded in death by his parents  
31 and sister, Carol Simon Bradberry; he leaves to cherish his  
32 memory his significant other, Barbara Williams; daughters,  
33 Pamela Seager and Shannon Bettis; son, Brazil Simon III;  
34 loving grandchildren, Antonio Simon and Ayana Simon;  
35 stepchildren, Willie Lee Glover, Gloria Glover, Maxine  
36 Wilson (Herman), Janie Glover, and Dominick Glover; devoted  
37 friend, Jacob Wilson, Sr.; many dedicated church family  
38 members, Ed Robinson, Saundra Hubbard Ellis, Josie Gibson,  
39 Rosemary Robinson, James Harris, and Russell Williamson; and  
40 a host of other relatives and friends; and

41 WHEREAS, B.S. Simon led a life in faith, kindness,  
42 and generosity, while leaving a legacy that will be  
43 cherished forever by all who knew and loved him; now  
44 therefore,

45 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
46 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Brazil Simon, Jr.  
47 is recorded with deep sadness, and even as we mourn his  
48 death and the loss it represents, we also celebrate his  
49 life, which will remain a lasting inspiration, carried  
50 forward by the family and friends he cherished so dearly.