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3 By Senators Allen, Singleton, Albritton, Barfoot, Beasley,

4 Bell, Butler, Carnley, Chambliss, Chesteen, Coleman,

5 Coleman-Madison, Elliott, Figures, Givhan, Gudger, Hatcher,

6 Hovey, Jones, Kelley, Kitchens, Livingston, Melson, Orr,

7 Price, Roberts, Sessions, Shelnut, Smitherman, Stewart,

8 Stutts, Waggoner, Weaver, Williams, Woods

9 RFD: Rules

10 First Read: 10-Feb-26



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 SJR\_\_\_ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF EDDIE  
5 CONYERS.

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7 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the  
8 passing of Eddie Conyers in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, on January  
9 27, 2026, while we also celebrate his long, beautiful life  
10 that ended at the age of 97; and

11 WHEREAS, a longtime referee, Eddie Conyers was a  
12 beloved fixture around The University of Alabama's football  
13 practices for more than six decades; his departure leaves a  
14 void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and  
15 the community where he was highly regarded; and

16 WHEREAS, Eddie Conyers, a native of Montgomery, moved  
17 to Tuscaloosa as a young man and graduated from high school  
18 in 1946; after two years of service in the United States  
19 Navy, he enrolled at The University of Alabama (UA) before  
20 getting called back into service during the Korean War;  
21 Eddie returned to UA and earned a Bachelor's Degree in  
22 Commerce in 1954; and

23 WHEREAS, he was employed by the Jemison Company in  
24 Tuscaloosa for 26 years and eventually retired from UA's  
25 College of Continuing Studies; and

26 WHEREAS, in 1962, legendary Crimson Tide Head Coach  
27 Paul "Bear" Bryant first hired Eddie to serve as a football  
28 practice official, beginning a gig he would hold for nearly



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29 60 years, enjoying a front seat through the program's most  
30 iconic eras of success; over that time, Eddie worked with 12  
31 national championship teams and witnessed the leadership of,  
32 in addition to Bryant, such iconic figures as Gene Stallings  
33 and Nick Saban; and

34 WHEREAS, often described as a trusted presence with  
35 sharp institutional memory, Eddie Conyers became one of the  
36 longest-tenured members of the Alabama athletics family; he  
37 embodied the spirit of Alabama Crimson Tide football; and

38 WHEREAS, in recognition of his service, the UA  
39 football program honored Eddie in 2006 by dedicating the  
40 coaches' dressing room in the football complex in his name;  
41 more recently, he was named the recipient of the Alabama  
42 Sports Hall of Fame's Frank "Pig" House Award in 2022, an  
43 honor presented to individuals who have provided outstanding  
44 service to sports in Alabama; it is named for the Hall of  
45 Fame's founding chair; and

46 WHEREAS, beyond football, Eddie was a popular speaker  
47 for alumni groups, civic organizations, and business  
48 gatherings, known for his stories and deep knowledge of  
49 Alabama athletics; he is survived by his wife, Peggy; two  
50 children, Bubba Conyers and Donna Jernigan; and three  
51 grandchildren; and

52 WHEREAS, Eddie Conyers was a remarkable man who loved  
53 The University of Alabama and its players; he will be  
54 remembered as "a true Alabama legend" whose impact extended  
55 far beyond the practice field; now therefore,

56 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH



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57 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Eddie Conyers  
58 is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution is  
59 offered in tribute to his life and service to The University  
60 of Alabama football program he so loved, along with  
61 heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is shared by  
62 many.



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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 10-Feb-26

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives

Passed: 17-Feb-26

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By: Senator Allen