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8 MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF MR.
9 TONEY COPELAND.

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11 WHEREAS, we deeply regret to learn of the death of
12 Mr. Toney Copeland of Attalla, Alabama, on January 12, 2018,
13 at 50 years of age, and we uplift his life and legacy with
14 utmost reverence and respect; and

15 WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Toney Copeland leaves a
16 void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, and the
17 entire community, where he was highly regarded; and

18 WHEREAS, a 1985 graduate of Etowah High School, Mr.
19 Copeland was an avid Alabama football fan and a dedicated card
20 player; he loved to travel and spend time with friends and
21 family; and

22 WHEREAS, survivors include his beloved and devoted
23 wife of 30 years, Gerri Copeland; daughter, Elizabeth (Jamey)
24 Cook; son, Matthew Copeland; father, Travis Copeland; mother
25 and stepfather, Clara (Phillip) Robinson; brother, Mike
26 (Donna) Copeland; nephew, Ty Copeland; sister, Michele
27 (Jonathan) Dietz; niece, Katie Dietz; chosen grandchildren,

1 Riley Cook, Dalton Cook, Logan Cook, and Cooper Johnson; and a
2 host of uncles, cousins, and in-laws; he was preceded in death
3 by his daughter, Jennifer; grandparents, Leonard and Gertrude
4 Copeland, Clara Lou Beard, and J.T. Teal; sister, Jeannie; and
5 nephew, Adam; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Copeland was a valued member of the
7 community; although his presence is greatly missed, his memory
8 is cherished in the hearts and minds of all those who were
9 fortunate enough to know him; now therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
11 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That while grieving the death of
12 Mr. Toney Copeland, we are extremely grateful for his abundant
13 life, and we offer this resolution in highest tribute to his
14 legacy, as well as in heartfelt sympathy to his family and
15 friends.