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8 HONORING MARY LOU GOODSON ON THE OCCASION OF HER
9 90TH BIRTHDAY.

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11 WHEREAS, it is a tremendous privilege to recognize
12 Mary Lou Goodson on the momentous occasion of her 90th
13 birthday; and

14 WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Leeds, Alabama, Mary
15 Lou Goodson was a member of the National Honor Society in high
16 school and a cheerleader for the Leeds Green Wave for five
17 years; following high school graduation, she was selected as
18 Miss Leeds and represented the community in parades and other
19 events; and

20 WHEREAS, Mary Lou Goodson attended Howard College,
21 now Samford University, where she was selected as Miss Howard
22 College in 1946; she had a brief modeling career and appeared
23 in many newspaper advertisements for the Pizitz chain of
24 department stores; she married Edward Lee Goodson, who later
25 became the Mayor of Leeds, in 1948; the esteemed couple's
26 union has been blessed with three sons, Steve, Lee, and David;
27 five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; and

1 WHEREAS, Mary Lou Goodson taught kindergarten at
2 Leeds Community Kindergarten for 47 years, at Leeds Elementary
3 School for 10 years, and at Happy Times Kindergarten for 12
4 years; one of her greatest joys in life is encountering
5 countless former students who fondly remember "Miss G" and
6 give her a hug when they cross her path; and

7 WHEREAS, Mary Lou Goodson has taught Sunday School
8 for 75 years and has served as a Ruling Elder and Clerk of
9 Session in the Presbyterian Church; she has been an active
10 member of the Federated Women's Clubs for 60 years and served
11 three terms as the Chairman of District 3; she is a charter
12 member of the Friends of the Library, the Leeds Arts Council,
13 the Rainbow Girls, and the Leeds Historical Society; she
14 provides exceptional direction as the Chairman of the Leeds
15 Housing Authority, where she has served as a member of the
16 Board of Directors for 12 years; she is often recognized for
17 her appearances in a series of television advertisements for
18 Blue Cross/Blue Shield; and

19 WHEREAS, a 90th birthday celebration is a
20 significant milestone that represents precious years of wisdom
21 earned and memories gained and is a cause for great rejoicing;
22 now therefore,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
24 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Mary Lee Goodson is highly
25 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered to her
26 in deepest admiration and with sincere best wishes for
27 continued blessings and prosperity.

