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HR_____ MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
FIREMAN JORDAN ELLIS MELTON.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the death of Fireman Jordan Ellis Melton of Birmingham, Alabama, on July 17, 2023, at the age of 29; and

WHEREAS, his passing leaves a void in the lives of his loving family, many friends, his fellow firefighters, with whom he developed close ties, and the communities where he was highly regarded; and

WHEREAS, Fireman Melton was born on February 28, 1994, to Rochelle Malone And Claude Melton; he was an accomplished student and athlete and from an early age he showed signs of high intelligence; in elementary school he became a fierce player for the chess club; throughout his school years, he developed a love of football, basketball and wrestling, and proved himself to be a loyal and highly competitive team member; and

WHEREAS, Fireman Melton was a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Birmingham; and

WHEREAS, during his short life, Fireman Jordan Melton was a valued employee of A.G. Gaston Boys and Girls Club Camp, where he worked as an advisor; he was also an account executive at Gulf Beverage Distributors and an entrepreneur who owned C & J Enterprises Landscaping; and



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29 WHEREAS, Fireman Melton served with the Birmingham
30 Fire and Rescue for more than a year, but graduated from the
31 recruit academy only one month before his untimely death;
32 and

33 WHEREAS, Birmingham Mayor Randall Woodfin describes
34 Fireman Jordan Melton as "a vibrant young brother who was
35 full of life. He loved to talk sports as much as he loved a
36 good barbecue. He had a brilliant mind for business, but he
37 was always down to lighten the mood with a joke or two. He
38 was also a wonderful son to his mother, who has been his
39 rock in these difficult past few days"; and

40 WHEREAS, although his presence will be greatly
41 missed, the memory of Fireman Melton will be cherished by
42 all who knew and loved him; now therefore,

43 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
44 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the death of Fireman Jordan
45 Ellis Melton is recorded with deep sadness, and this
46 resolution is offered in tribute to his life and service to
47 others, along with heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose
48 grief is shared by many.