

1 SJR9  
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3 By Senators Bedford, Waggoner, Allen, Beasley, Beason,  
4 Blackwell, Brewbaker, Brooks, Bussman, Coleman, Dial, Dunn,  
5 Fielding, Figures, Glover, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahey,  
6 Marsh, McGill, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford,  
7 Scofield, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Taylor, Ward, Whatley  
8 and Williams  
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10 First Read: 07-FEB-12

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4 ENROLLED, SJR9,

5 MOURNING THE DEATH OF SENATOR WENDELL MITCHELL.

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7 WHEREAS, with an overwhelming sense of loss, we  
8 receive news of the death of our good friend and former  
9 colleague, Senator Wendell Mitchell, on February 4, 2012, at  
10 the age of 71 years; and

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

14 WHEREAS, he was known as "Walking Wendell" because  
15 of his practice of walking several hundred miles during his  
16 campaigns, and he represented State Senate District 30 with  
17 competence and commitment from 1974 until 2010, earning the  
18 respect of colleagues and constituents; and

19 WHEREAS, in his capacity as Deputy President Pro Tem  
20 of the Senate, he was a voting member of almost all standing  
21 committees and served as chair of the Governmental Affairs  
22 Committee; he was a Democrat who worked well with Republicans  
23 despite differences on issues, and he had bipartisan support  
24 for his initiatives on behalf of the people of his District  
25 and the State of Alabama; and

1           WHEREAS, in addition to his distinguished career in  
2 government, he was a former Professor and Dean Emeritus of  
3 Jones School of Law at Faulkner University in Montgomery; and

4           WHEREAS, Senator Mitchell was a valued member of the  
5 community whose contributions were far-reaching and  
6 innumerable; although his presence will be greatly missed, his  
7 legacy will endure and his memory will be cherished in the  
8 hearts of those who were fortunate to know him; now therefore,

9           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
10 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Senator Wendell  
11 Mitchell is recorded with deepest sorrow and, by copy of this  
12 resolution to his beloved wife, Rosalind, we convey our  
13 heartfelt sympathy, along with our unbounded admiration and  
14 appreciation for his life of achievement and service.

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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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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution  
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris  
Secretary

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House of Representatives  
Adopted: 14-FEB-12

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By: Senator Bedford