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5 By: Senators Wilkins, Brown, Crumbly, Steele
6 By: Representatives Allen, T. Baker, Blount, E. Brown, Chesterfield, Davis, S. Dobbins, Flowers, Hardy,
7 W. Lewellen, Rainey

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10 **SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL**
11 **RESOLUTION**

12 IN RESPECTFUL MEMORY OF HENRY WILKINS III AND IN
13 RECOGNITION OF HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
14 STATE OF ARKANSAS AND HIS LOCAL COMMUNITY.

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Subtitle

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23 WHEREAS, Mr. Henry Wilkins III of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, died on
24 February 20, 1991; and

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27 WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkins served in the Arkansas House of Representatives
28 and was elected to ten (10) consecutive terms; and

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31 WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkins prepared himself in college and in graduate school
32 for a life of service; and

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35 WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkins was the first African-American elected to the
36 Arkansas General Assembly outside the Little Rock, Arkansas area since the
Reconstruction period in the 1800's; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkins continually sought avenues for the relief of



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3 WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkins recognized that education was necessary for his
4 community, the state, and the nation to move forward; and

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6 WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkins was an Associate Professor at the University of
7 Arkansas at Pine Bluff for over thirty (30) years until his untimely death in
8 1991; and

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10 WHEREAS, Mr. Wilkins' efforts contributed to the State of Arkansas'
11 ability to serve its children and other citizens,

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13 NOW THEREFORE,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
15 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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17 THAT the Senate recognizes the commitment, hard work, dedication, and
18 service of Mr. Henry Wilkins III to the State of Arkansas and his local
19 community, and commends him for his leadership.

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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon adoption of this resolution, an
22 appropriate copy shall be provided to the family of Mr. Wilkins by the
23 Secretary of the Senate.

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