

By: Representative Stevens

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 101  
(As Adopted by House and Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF  
2 MRS. MARY IDA STEVENS AND EXPRESSING OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HER  
3 FAMILY UPON HER PASSING.

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mary Ida Lee Stevens, a lifelong resident of  
5 Carroll County, departed this life on January 14, 1999, causing a  
6 great loss to her family and friends; and

7 WHEREAS, after graduating from Carrollton Public Schools at  
8 the age of sixteen, Mrs. Stevens attended Mississippi State  
9 College for Women, where she received a bachelor's degree in  
10 English and minored in French; and

11 WHEREAS, following graduation, Mrs. Stevens began her 40-year  
12 teaching career at J.Z. George High School as an English teacher;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Stevens is remembered by her students as a  
15 teacher with a perfect blend of firmness and affection, tempered  
16 with Southern graciousness; and

17 WHEREAS, faithfully committed to the North Carrollton United  
18 Methodist Church since 1937, Mrs. Stevens was actively involved as  
19 a Sunday School teacher, a Bible school teacher, a member of  
20 United Methodist Women, a member of the choir and the church's  
21 organist; and

22 WHEREAS, in addition to her activities at church, Mrs.  
23 Stevens was also a member of the Carroll County Garden Club, the  
24 Matinee Musicale and Delta Kappa Gamma, an international honor  
25 society of female teachers; and

26 WHEREAS, Mrs. Stevens is survived by her three children,

27 Joseph Robert "Jody" Stevens III, William Lee "Buck" Stevens and  
28 Betty Stevens Turnipseed, and six grandchildren; and

29 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize  
30 and pay special tribute to such outstanding educators as Mrs. Mary  
31 Ida Lee Stevens, who dedicated her life to touching the lives of  
32 her students:

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
34 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING  
35 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend the life of Mrs. Mary Ida Lee  
36 Stevens and express our deepest sympathy to her family upon her  
37 passing.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
39 furnished to the family of Mrs. Mary Ida Lee Stevens and the  
40 members of the Capitol Press Corps.