

By: Representative Straughter

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 17  
(As Adopted by House)

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE OF MR. ROBERT EARL "PETERBO"  
2 BANKHEAD AND EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS  
3 UPON HIS PASSING.

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Robert Earl "Peterbo" Bankhead departed this  
5 life on Friday, March 5, 1999, causing a great loss to his family  
6 and friends; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Bankhead, a native of Belzoni, Mississippi, was  
8 one of the first graduates of Humphreys County High School in May  
9 1971; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Bankhead is also a graduate of Mississippi  
11 Valley State University in Itta Bena, Mississippi, and the  
12 Milwaukee Area Technical College in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and

13 WHEREAS, an active member of his community, Mr. Bankhead was  
14 a member of the Mississippi Restaurants Association, the  
15 Mississippi Board of Supervisors, the Zion Rock Missionary Baptist  
16 Church and a lifetime member of the Mississippi Valley State  
17 University Alumni; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Bankhead was the proud owner of a restaurant  
19 which had excellent food, remarkable service and an almost  
20 spotless facility; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Bankhead is survived by his parents, Mr. Walter  
22 Bankhead, Sr., and Mrs. Ruby Bankhead, and his two daughters, Mrs.  
23 Corine Bankhead Harris and Mrs. Deborah Johnson; and

24 WHEREAS, joining with the House in expressing deepest  
25 sympathy to the family and friends of Mr. Bankhead is Senator  
26 Barbara Blackmon, District 21, Mississippi Senate; and

27       WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of  
28 the State of Mississippi to commend such outstanding  
29 Mississippians as Mr. Bankhead, whose positive influence and  
30 encouragement will always be remembered:

31       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
32 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
33 commend the life of Mr. Robert Earl "Peterbo" Bankhead and express  
34 our deepest sympathy to his family and friends upon his passing.

35       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
36 furnished to the family of Mr. Robert Earl "Peterbo" Bankhead and  
37 members of the Capitol Press Corps.