

By: Representatives Wells-Smith, Read

To: Rules

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 66

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE OF MR. KENNETH BAKER AND  
2 EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS UPON HIS  
3 PASSING.

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Baker, a native of Tallassee, Alabama, departed  
5 this life, causing great loss to his family and friends; and

6 WHEREAS, after graduating from Tallassee High School in 1957,  
7 Mr. Baker attended Auburn University, where he received a  
8 bachelor's and a master's degree; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Baker taught school for eight years in Fort  
10 Walton Beach, Florida, before moving to Gautier with his family in  
11 1971; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Baker was named assistant principal at  
13 Pascagoula Junior High School in August 1971, and one year later  
14 he was named principal, where he stayed until his retirement in  
15 1995; and

16 WHEREAS, an active member of his community, Mr. Baker was  
17 involved in several educational organizations, coached little  
18 league and participated in the "Greater PJ-Ken Baker Open"; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Baker is survived by his lovely wife, the former  
20 Norma Morgan Baker; their children, James Michael Baker, Greg  
21 Baker, Russell Lee Baker and Meredith Baker Hartley; and three  
22 grandchildren, James Chad Baker, Jessica Rene Baker and NaCole  
23 Williams; and

24 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of  
25 the State of Mississippi to recognize and pay special tribute to  
26 Mr. Baker, whose long and distinguished career in education

27 touched the lives of many children across this State:

28           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
29 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
30 commend the life of Mr. Kenneth Baker and express our deepest  
31 sympathy to his family upon his passing.

32           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
33 furnished to the family of Mr. Kenneth Baker, the Principal of  
34 Pascagoula Junior High School and to the members of the Capitol  
35 Press Corps.