

By: Senator(s) Dearing, Rayborn, Little,
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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 62

1 A RESOLUTION TO COMMEND SENATOR JAMES L. (JIM) BEAN FOR HIS
2 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE IN THE MISSISSIPPI SENATE.

3 WHEREAS, Senator James L. (Jim) Bean is retiring from the
4 Mississippi Senate after serving 12 years in office; and

5 WHEREAS, Senator Jim Bean is a man of integrity and hard
6 work, and there is an acknowledged respect for the public and
7 private life of our esteemed and beloved colleague, who is a role
8 model for all members of the Mississippi Senate; and

9 WHEREAS, Jim has served as Chairman of the Senate Committee
10 on Public Health and Welfare for the past four years and prior to
11 this term served as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Insurance;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, as Chairman of Public Health and Welfare, Jim was
14 widely known and admired for handling the most difficult issues to
15 come before the Legislature with skillful organization and
16 credibility, including such issues as Medicaid, welfare reform,
17 nursing home care for the elderly, child residential care, managed
18 health care, child support and foster child care; and

19 WHEREAS, due to his keen interest in Senate rules and the
20 practice of law, Jim was made an honorary attorney-at-law by the
21 Senate in 1995 based upon a longstanding tradition in southern
22 states that members of the State Senate were automatically
23 admitted to the bar; and

24 WHEREAS, his "truckdriver" explanation of complex issues will
25 be missed, and his record as Chairman is fully recognized by all
26 responsible citizens and public officials who attest to the
27 tremendous progress made in public health and human service

28 programs while he served:

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
30 MISSISSIPPI, That we hereby commend and recognize Senator Jim
31 Bean, whose long and outstanding service enriched everyone with
32 whom he was associated, and we wish Jim, his wife, Peggy, and
33 Jim's family much success in their future endeavors.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
35 presented to Senator Jim Bean.