

By: Ishee, Barnett (116th), Creel, Dedeaux, To: Rules
Fredericks, Frierson, Guice, Janus, Maples,
Peranich, Roberson, Simpson

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12
(As Adopted by House and Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING KEN PARVIN UPON HIS
2 RETIREMENT AS A HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL OFFICIAL FOR FIFTY YEARS.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Ken Parvin, a member of the Gulf Coast Officials
4 Association since 1949, has decided to retire after 50 years of
5 dedicated and committed service as a high school football coach,
6 having the most years of service known in the history of the Gulf
7 Coast Officials Association; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Parvin has officiated games all over South
9 Mississippi, and among the schools are Pearl River Central,
10 Picayune, Hancock North Central, Vancleave, Bay High, St.
11 Stanislaus, Gautier, Pass Christian, Gulfport, St. John, Biloxi,
12 Mercy Cross, Lucedale, Wiggins and others in the area; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Parvin confined his officiating to high school
14 football with the exception of a minimal amount of college work
15 for Millsaps and Mississippi College, but high school games have
16 always been his first love; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Parvin faced new situations each year which made
18 officiating interesting and prompted him to continue to study the
19 rule book as if it were his Holy Bible; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Parvin was a referee in all the games he
21 officiated and was in overall charge of the crew, making all the
22 final decisions when necessary; and

23 WHEREAS, in October 1967, he decided to open Ken's Ball and
24 Cue in Gulfport, a pool room that he wanted to make available for
25 families, as he allows no smoking, gambling, loitering or
26 alcoholic beverages; and

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Parvin and his lovely wife, Betty, are members
28 of First Baptist Church in Gulfport where they have been members
29 for 16 years; and

30 WHEREAS, Ken and Betty have five children, Shirley, Debra,
31 Ken, Jr., Cindy and Janine:

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
33 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
34 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend the accomplishments of Mr. Ken
35 Parvin for his example of a remarkable and dedicated coach whose
36 long and distinguished career epitomizes a life rich in
37 achievement and service to his community.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
39 furnished to Mr. Ken Parvin and the Capitol Press Corps.