MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION 2000

By: Reynolds, Thornton
To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33
(As Adopted by House and Senate)

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE OF MR. WILLIAM
ALBERT "TOM" HOLMES AND EXTEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY
UPON HIS PASSING.

WHEREAS, Mr. William Albert "Tom" Holmes, departed this life
on Sunday, December 26, 1999, causing great loss to his family and
friends; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Holmes, son of the late Will Holmes and Rosetta
Jones Holmes, was born on October 19, 1940, in Panola County,
Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from South Panola High School, Mr. Holmes attended Natchez Jr. College, earning an Associate Arts
Degree in Education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Holmes was dedicated to his country as he served
in the United States Army in 1964, receiving an honorable
discharge in 1966, and served in the Army Reserve and the
Mississippi National Guard; and

WHEREAS, an active member of his community, Mr. Holmes was a
former member and secretary of Liberty Hill Missionary Baptist
Church; a member, former Chairman of the Steward Board, former
Chairman of the Trustee Board and Financial Secretary of Union
Hill C.M.E. Church; Vice President of the Water Valley Chapter of
the NAACP and former Scoutmaster of Troop #250; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Holmes received several awards and honors,
including the Mississippi Accommodation Medal in 1983, the Army
Accommodation Medal in 1984 and was promoted to Staff Sergeant and
Section Chief in the Mississippi National Guard; and
WHEREAS, Mr. Holmes is survived by his lovely wife, the
former Florine Baker, eight children, 18 grandchildren, one great
grandchild and a host of other relatives:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
THEREIN, That we do hereby commend the life of Mr. William Albert
"Tom" Holmes and extend our deepest sympathy to his family and
friends upon his passing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
furnished to the family of Mr. William Albert "Tom" Holmes and to
members of the Capitol Press Corps.