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To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45
(As Adopted by House and Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE OUTSTANDING CAREER OF
2 COMEDIAN JAMES TERRYL "T. BUBBA" BECHTOL.

3 WHEREAS, James Terryl Bechtol, known as "T. Bubba" to his
4 friends, is a successful humorist, columnist, comedian and
5 professional speaker whose brand of humor is clean and current;
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7 WHEREAS, Mr. Bechtol, born in Biloxi, Mississippi, attended
8 schools in Ocean Springs, Long Beach High School and Perkinston
9 Jr. College, where he earned an AA degree in business and
10 established a scholarship fund; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Bechtol has performed before thousands, opening
12 for singing stars including Loretta Lynn, Tanya Tucker, Eddy
13 Arnold, Billy Ray Cyrus, Merle Haggard, Marty Stuart and Vince
14 Gill; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Bechtol, referred to as "Will Rogers 2000," has
16 performed in the White House for three presidents and on the stage
17 of the Grand Ole Opry; and

18 WHEREAS, as a Certified Professional Speaker with the
19 National Speakers Association, Mr. Bechtol has received numerous
20 awards for his remarkable talent in the speaking profession; and

21 WHEREAS, an active member of community organizations, Mr.
22 Bechtol served as former president of the United States Jaycees
23 and the Freedom's Foundation; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Bechtol, regularly featured on The Nashville
25 Network, debuted on the Grand Ole Opry on October 24, 1988, and
26 became a regular on the Opry January 7, 2000; and

27 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to commend
28 outstanding Mississippians such as Mr. James Terryl "T. Bubba"
29 Bechtol, who has dedicated 25 years of his life to bringing humor
30 and laughter to so many people across the country:

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
32 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
33 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate comedian Mr.
34 James Terryl "T. Bubba" Bechtol on his outstanding and successful
35 career and extend our heartiest wishes for success in all his
36 future endeavors.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
38 furnished to Mr. James Terryl "T. Bubba" Bechtol and to members of
39 the Capitol Press Corps.