

By: Horhn, Turner, Frazier, Jackson, Harden, To: Rules
Walls, Jordan, Blackmon, Simmons, Johnson
(38th)

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 38

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE CAREER OF ROBERT P. MOSES,
2 PIVOTAL CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT ORGANIZER AND DEVELOPER OF THE
3 ALGEBRA PROJECT.

4 WHEREAS, Robert P. Moses resides in Cambridge, MA, with his
5 wife, Dr. Janet Moses, Pediatrician; they have four children; Mr.
6 Moses was born and raised in Harlem, and received his B.A. in 1956
7 from Hamilton College; in 1957, he received a M.A. in Philosophy
8 from Harvard University and taught mathematics at the Horace Mann
9 School in New York City from 1958-1961; and

10 WHEREAS, a pivotal Civil Rights Movement organizer and Field
11 Secretary for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee
12 (SNCC), Robert directed its Mississippi project; a driving force
13 behind the 1964 Mississippi Summer Project, he helped organize the
14 Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party (MFDP), which challenged the
15 Mississippi regulars at the 1964 Democratic Convention; from 1969
16 to 1975 he worked for the Ministry of Education in Tanzania, where
17 he was chairperson of the Math Department at the Samé School; and

18 WHEREAS, in 1976, Mr. Moses returned to Harvard, pursuing
19 Doctoral Studies in Philosophy; a MacArthur Fellow from 1982-1987,
20 Robert used his fellowship to work full-time teaching algebra to
21 7th and 8th graders, volunteering at the M.L. King Elementary
22 school in Cambridge; during that period, Mr. Moses developed the
23 concept for The Algebra Project, which has been the main focus of
24 his work for the last thirteen years; author of The Algebra
25 Project's *Transition Curriculum-Book I*, Robert continues to
26 develop curriculum, and is one of the project's principal

27 trainers; and

28 WHEREAS, we proudly recognize the career and achievements of
29 this individual who has influenced so many lives in the State of
30 Mississippi:

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
32 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the career of Mr. Robert P.
33 Moses, pivotal Civil Rights Movement organizer and developer of
34 the Algebra Project, and wish him continued success in his future
35 endeavors.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
37 presented to Robert Moses and be made available to the Capitol
38 Press Corps.