

By: Chaney, Canon

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 44
(As Adopted by Senate)

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE OF DR. WILLIAM H. LINDLEY
2 AND EXTENDING DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY UPON HIS PASSING.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. William H. Lindley, a Vicksburg veterinarian for
4 67 years whose life's work provided the basis for the city's Great
5 Animal Adventures Children's Museum, died Sunday, February 20,
6 2000; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley was born in Asheville, North Carolina,
8 the son of the late Robert Thomas and Luvina Delle Adams Lindley;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley and his family moved to Vicksburg in
11 1919, and he received his degree in veterinary medicine from
12 Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley practiced in Indiana and in Vicksburg
14 before entering the Army Air Corps in 1942 and then founded
15 Vicksburg Animal Hospital in 1946; and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley was known throughout the South as an
17 expert in swine production and was one of the most thorough
18 diagnosticians in Mississippi; and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley also served as a preceptor for
20 Mississippi's veterinary medical school and helped many young vet
21 students learn clinical practice to go along with the theory and
22 scientific information they learned in school; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley was a prolific writer and contributed to
24 scientific journals, was the author of four books and many poems
25 and wrote many letters to the editor for The Vicksburg Post; and

26 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley was a member of the Trail Dusters and

27 Vicksburg riding clubs, Living with Cancer, Vicksburg Humane
28 Society and the Vicksburg Rotary Club; and

29 WHEREAS, in the later years of his life, Dr. Lindley began
30 collecting artifacts, teaching materials and other items dealing
31 with veterinary medicine and the contributions animals have made
32 to human well-being and human health; and

33 WHEREAS, that collection formed the basis of what is now the
34 Great Animal Adventures Children's Museum in Vicksburg; and

35 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley's honors included Veterinarian of the
36 Year and serving in every office of the Mississippi State
37 Veterinary Association, including president; and

38 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley was married to the former Olga Jarvis
39 for 55 years, until her death in 1992; and

40 WHEREAS, Dr. Lindley is survived by two daughters, Suzanne L.
41 Williamson and Markie Lindley, two grandsons, Mark R. Williamson
42 and Todd L. Williamson, and a son-in-law, Billy Williamson; and

43 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Legislature to recognize and
44 pay special tribute to outstanding Mississippians such as Dr.
45 Lindley whose contributions in life made such an impact on his
46 community:

47 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
48 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the life of Dr. William H.
49 Lindley and extend deepest sympathy to his family upon his
50 passing.

51 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
52 presented to the family of Dr. William H. Lindley and the Great
53 Animal Adventures Children's Museum and made available to the
54 Capitol Press Corps.