

By: Furniss

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 45
(As Adopted by Senate)

1 A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING HERMAN AND IMOGENE
2 FURNISS ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

3 WHEREAS, Herman and Imogene Furniss, who were united in Holy
4 Matrimony on August 10, 1950, at Courtland, Mississippi, will
5 celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary at a special reception
6 to be held on Sunday, August 13, 2000, at the Rena Lara Baptist
7 Church Fellowship Hall in Rena Lara, Mississippi; and

8 WHEREAS, Herman and Imogene Furniss have been blessed with
9 five children; namely, Larry Laverne Furniss, Mitchell Lee
10 Furniss, Brenda Kay (Furniss) Carter, Jim Roark Furniss and David
11 Wayne Furniss; and

12 WHEREAS, Herman and Imogene Furniss have been further blessed
13 with 13 grandchildren; namely, Mason Wesley Furniss, Tina Kay
14 (Carter) Schmidt, Matthew Lawson Furniss, Adam Kent Carter, Gina
15 Camille (Furniss) Roberson, Dajon Faith Furniss, Candace Elizabeth
16 Furniss, Jeremy Ryan Furniss, Jessica Marie Furniss, Jaymi Renee
17 Furniss, Jasper Davis Furniss and Jonathan Reuben Furniss, with
18 the loss of Justin Robert Furniss at three days of age; and

19 WHEREAS, Herman and Imogene Furniss have been even further
20 blessed with six great-grandchildren; namely, Heather Nicole
21 Schmidt, Erin Colby Furniss, Brienna Leigh Schmidt, Courtney
22 Allyssa Furniss and Gary Kenneth Roberson, III, with the loss of
23 Marshall Cody Furniss at 77 days of age; and

24 WHEREAS, Herman and Imogene Furniss have lived most of their
25 lives in Rena Lara and Coahoma County, Mississippi, where they
26 have been active and productive members of their community; and

27 WHEREAS, Herman Furniss, during his lifetime, has many
28 church, civic, community and business accomplishments including:
29 Rena Lara Baptist Church Deacon, Chairman of Deacons, Music
30 Director and Sunday School Teacher; President of Clarksdale
31 Civitan Club, organizer of Rena Lara Civitan Club and Lt. Governor
32 of Clarksdale, Cleveland and Rena Lara Civitan Clubs; Gideon
33 member, 1970-1999, having served as President and Statewide Bible
34 Secretary; founder and operator of his own business (Furniss
35 Sewing Machine Company, Clarksdale and Cleveland), beginning in
36 1967; and member of the Coahoma County Election Commission since
37 1969 (31 years), serving as Chairman, 1980-present; and

38 WHEREAS, Imogene Furniss, during her lifetime, has many
39 family, church, civic and business accomplishments including:
40 mother and full-time homemaker; Rena Lara Baptist Church Pianist
41 and Sunday School Teacher; member of Rena Lara Home Demonstration
42 Club, serving as President and Secretary; and Postmaster of the
43 United States Post Office at Rena Lara, 1966-1985; and

44 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Legislature to recognize and
45 honor the accomplishments and achievements of citizens of this
46 state, and especially those who have attained the success of
47 celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary:

48 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
49 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby congratulate and commend Herman and
50 Imogene Furniss on their 50 years of marriage and for the love
51 they have shared with each other, their family and their
52 community.

53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Senator Delma Furniss is hereby
54 designated to represent this body in presenting this resolution to
55 Herman and Imogene Furniss on the occasion of the celebration of
56 their Golden Wedding Anniversary at a special reception to be held
57 on August 13, 2000, at the Rena Lara Baptist Church Fellowship
58 Hall in Rena Lara.