A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MR. MAURICE FOREMAN AND EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS UPON HIS PASSING.

WHEREAS, Mr. Maurice Foreman, a native of Amite County, Mississippi, departed this life on December 18, 2000, causing a great loss to his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foreman, born on March 11, 1925, in Amite County, was the son of Ivy Foreman and Nettie Brown Foreman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foreman was a veteran of the United States Navy and served as a Seabee in World War II, where he was injured on November 16, 1944, while serving on the South Pacific Island of Tinian; and

WHEREAS, despite a serious leg injury, Mr. Foreman refused to accept an early discharge and served out his tour of duty, receiving a Purple Heart and honorable discharge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foreman received a bachelor's degree from the University of Southern Mississippi and a master's in administration at Southeastern University in Hammond, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foreman, a longtime educator, served in various schools around the state including Bogue Chitto, where he was a teacher and football coach; Tylertown High School; Dexter High School, where he started the school's state single A winning football program and was instrumental in building the football stadium and field; South Pike High School, where he was assistant football coach; and Progress Elementary School, where he was principal; and
WHEREAS, in addition, Mr. Foreman served as Superintendent of Education for Amite County Schools from 1976-1992; and
WHEREAS, Mr. Foreman was actively involved in his community by serving as Amite County school board trustee, a member of Terry's Creek Baptist Church and a Mason and member of Rising Glory Lodge No. 215; and
WHEREAS, Mr. Foreman is survived by four children, Don, Wayne, Dariene and Jena; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild and a host of other relatives; and
WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize and commend outstanding Mississippians such as Mr. Maurice Foreman, who spent his career educating and leading the young people of this state:
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 and accomplishments of Mr. Maurice Foreman and express 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. Maurice Foreman and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.