

By: Representatives Eakes, Malone, Nicholson To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 104

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING ARTHUR STANLEY DEARMAN
2 UPON HIS SUCCESSFUL CAREER AS EDITOR AND PUBLISHER OF THE NESHOPA
3 DEMOCRAT.

4 WHEREAS, Arthur Stanley Dearman was named editor of The
5 Neshoba Democrat on November 15, 1966, and has served longer than
6 any other editor since the paper's founding in August 1881; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Dearman was born July 24, 1932, in the Whynot
8 community of Lauderdale County, Mississippi, the son of the late
9 Jesse Arthur Dearman and Gertrude Edwards Dearman; and

10 WHEREAS, after graduating from Meridian High School in 1950,
11 Mr. Dearman attended Meridian Junior College for one year before
12 entering the United States Navy; and

13 WHEREAS, during the Korean Conflict, Mr. Dearman was
14 stationed for three years in Hawaii and for one year in
15 California; and

16 WHEREAS, following his military service to his country, Mr.
17 Dearman completed his second year at Meridian Junior College; and

18 WHEREAS, in 1957, Mr. Dearman entered the University of
19 Mississippi, where he graduated with degrees in English and
20 journalism; and

21 WHEREAS, while in school at Ole Miss, Mr. Dearman was elected
22 editor of the student newspaper, The Mississippian, today known as
23 The Daily Mississippian; and

24 WHEREAS, after graduating from college, Mr. Dearman worked on
25 The Meridian Star as a reporter and photographer in general
26 assignments and later as state editor; and

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Dearman served as managing editor of The Neshoba
28 Democrat from November 1966 until February 1968, when he purchased
29 the paper from August G. Eckert and Phyllis Eckert Weber of
30 Louisiana; and

31 WHEREAS, after 44 years of editing and publishing, Mr.
32 Dearman sold The Neshoba Democrat on August 1, 2000; and

33 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
34 and commend outstanding Mississippians such as Mr. Dearman, whose
35 long and distinguished career in journalism has kept the people of
36 Neshoba County fully informed:

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
38 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
39 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend Mr. Arthur Stanley Dearman on
40 his successful career as editor and publisher of The Neshoba
41 Democrat and extend our heartiest wishes for success in all his
42 future endeavors.

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
44 furnished to Mr. Arthur Stanley Dearman and to the members of the
45 Capitol Press Corps.