

By: Representative Capps

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 125

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND
2 ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MR. JUDSON A. "BUD" THIGPEN, JR., AND
3 EXPRESSING OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS UPON HIS
4 PASSING.

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Judson A. "Bud" Thigpen, Jr., departed this life
6 on Tuesday, February 20, 2001, causing a great loss to his family
7 and friends upon his passing; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Thigpen was a lifelong resident of Bolivar
9 County, Mississippi, whose father, J.A. Thigpen, Sr., and
10 grandfather, S.F. Thigpen, Sr., served in the Mississippi
11 Legislature; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Thigpen followed in his family's footsteps
13 serving two terms in the Mississippi House of Representatives from
14 1964 to 1972, representing the citizens of Bolivar County; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Thigpen served the citizens with great pride and
16 distinction, taking an integral part in such far-reaching
17 legislation as the creation of the Mississippi Research and
18 Development Center, funding the massive Ingalls Shipbuilding
19 Division of Litton Industries, establishment of the Central Data
20 Processing Authority, development of Yellow Creek Port and the
21 creation of the Soybean Promotion Board; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Thigpen served as the first Chairman of the
23 Central Data Processing Authority, which was organized in 1970,
24 and served as a member of the Capitol Commission from 1968 to
25 1972; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Thigpen was highly respected and admired by
27 House members and staff with whom he worked, for his remarkable

28 knowledge of the legislative process, keen insight into the
29 complex issues facing the State of Mississippi, fairness and
30 forthright approach in dealing with problems, engaging sense of
31 humor and loyalty and devotion to the legislative branch of
32 government; and

33 WHEREAS, Mr. Thigpen is survived by his wife of 47 years,
34 Betty Nichols Thigpen; four children, Judson A. Thigpen, III,
35 Forest Thigpen, Dianne Thigpen Little and Amy Thigpen Streetman;
36 seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild:

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 the life and accomplishments of
40 Mr. Judson A. "Bud" Thigpen, Jr., and express our deepest sympathy
41 to his family and friends upon his passing.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
43 furnished to the family of Mr. Judson A. "Bud" Thigpen, Jr., and
44 to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.