

By: Representative Scott (17th)

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MS. CARMEN RONKEN FOR HER MANY YEARS  
2 OF OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE.

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Carmen Ronken, a resident of Jackson,  
4 Mississippi, has been involved in numerous community and  
5 professional organizations as well as church activities; and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Ronken received a bachelor's degree from  
7 Mississippi University for Women, a master's degree from Simmons  
8 and Harvard University Medical School and has completed post  
9 graduate work at the University of Wisconsin; and

10 WHEREAS, during her long and distinguished career, Ms. Ronken  
11 is a member and has held various leadership positions of many  
12 professional organizations including the American Home Economics  
13 Association, Mississippi Home Economics Association, State 4-H  
14 Advisory Council, State Extension Home Economist Association,  
15 Epison Sigma Phi Honorary Fraternity, American Women in Radio and  
16 Television, Delta Kappa Gamma and the State Nutrition Council; and

17 WHEREAS, in addition to her many professional organizations,  
18 Ms. Ronken has served or currently serves as a member of community  
19 organizations such as the Altrusa Club, American Association of  
20 University Women, Business and Professional Women's Club,  
21 Federated Womens Club, Hinds County Farm Bureau, National  
22 Association of Retired Federal Employees, Jackson Symphony  
23 Association and has served as block chairman for the March of  
24 Dimes, the Heart Association and the Cancer Society; and

25           WHEREAS, Ms. Ronken is a member of Christ United Methodist  
26 Church in Jackson, Mississippi, where she serves in numerous  
27 capacities and on various committees; and

28           WHEREAS, at Christ United Methodist Church, Ms. Ronken is a  
29 member of the Administrative Board, former Hospitality Guest House  
30 Representative, member of the Church Visitation Committee, and an  
31 active Sunday School member; and

32           WHEREAS, Ms. Ronken continues to be a remarkable asset to the  
33 United Methodist Women organization at the church, where she has  
34 served as President, Vice Chairman, Program Leader, Special  
35 Projects Chairman, Supportive Community Chairman, a member of the  
36 Fund Raising Committee; and

37           WHEREAS, Ms. Ronken is well known for her kind, generous and  
38 loving spirit by all who have had the pleasure of knowing her; and

39           WHEREAS, Ms. Ronken has distinguished herself as a highly  
40 respected and faithful member of the church and has served her  
41 community in a manner which will be an exceptional model for her  
42 successors to emulate:

43           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
44 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
45 commend Ms. Carmen Ronken for her many years of outstanding  
46 community service and express our sincere appreciation for her  
47 tireless devotion to improving the quality of life of those around  
48 her.

49           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
50 furnished to Ms. Carmen Ronken and to the members of the Capitol  
51 Press Corps.