

By: Representatives Snowden, Dickson, Horne, Nicholson, Robinson (84th), Young To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 27

1 A RESOLUTION ENDORSING, IN CONCEPT, THE EXTENSION OF THE
2 INTERSTATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM TO CONNECT THE CITIES OF MONTGOMERY,
3 ALABAMA, AND MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI.

4 WHEREAS, the Honorable Richard Shelby, Senior United States
5 Senator from our great sister State of Alabama, has proposed an
6 extension of the Interstate Highway System to connect the Capital
7 City of Montgomery, Alabama, directly to the State of Mississippi
8 with a junction at the City of Meridian in Lauderdale County,
9 Mississippi, with such extension running east to west roughly
10 parallel with the existing route of U.S. Highway 80; and

11 WHEREAS, although the great majority of the highway mileage
12 constructed and maintained for such extension will be situated
13 within the State of Alabama, the economic impact of such a
14 connection would be of tremendous economic benefit to the State of
15 Mississippi, especially to those areas situated along and within
16 the existing I-20 "central corridor" from Vicksburg to Jackson to
17 Meridian, and those areas situated along the existing I-59 from
18 Gulfport to Hattiesburg to Meridian; and

19 WHEREAS, the Mississippi House of Representatives welcomes
20 close cooperation with and support of our Alabama neighbors to
21 facilitate this transportation project that has such enormous
22 potential for a positive economic development impact upon our
23 entire region:

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
25 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
26 wholeheartedly endorse, in concept, the extension of the
27 Interstate Highway System to connect the Cities of Montgomery,

28 Alabama, and Meridian, Mississippi, and further hereby encourage
29 and call upon the Mississippi Delegation to the Congress of the
30 United States, the Mississippi Department of Transportation, and
31 all Mississippi elected and appointed public officials to support
32 as fully as possible the proposal of the esteemed Senior United
33 States Senator, Richard Shelby of Alabama, to develop and execute
34 a plan to make such an extension a reality for the citizens of the
35 great sister States of Alabama and Mississippi.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
37 furnished to Honorable Richard Shelby and to the members of the
38 Capitol Press Corps.