SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 47

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND CIVIC SERVICE OF JEFF C. LANDRUM, FORMER FIRE CHIEF OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI, AND EXPRESSING THE SYMPATHY OF THE LEGISLATURE ON HIS PASSING.

WHEREAS, retired Fire Chief, Jeff C. Landrum, of the City of Clinton, Mississippi, passed away at his home on Sunday, March 18, 2001, following a hard-fought battle with cancer; and

WHEREAS, Chief Landrum was known for being a kind, compassionate, civic-minded person, and was extremely well-respected in the community; and

WHEREAS, Landrum, a lifelong Clintonian, graduated from Clinton High School in 1970 and the University of Southern Mississippi in 1974. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Clinton. In addition to his wife, sons and granddaughter, survivors include parents, Cliff and Faye Landrum of Clinton; sister, Rebecca Weatherly of Birmingham; and aunts, uncles and cousins; and

WHEREAS, Landrum received Fireman of the Year from the Clinton Jaycees in 1976. During his tour as Chief, the fire department grew from a few men to 30 members at his retirement; and

WHEREAS, he designed and built Station No. 3 on Northside Drive while Chief, and he started the design for the new Central Station. The insurance rating of Clinton dropped from eight to six during his time as Chief; and

WHEREAS, sense of family runs deep in the Landrum family. Several generations have lived in the family home on Main Street, a familiar site for longtime Clintonians; and
WHEREAS, with their fathers setting examples as volunteer firefighters, Landrum and his longtime family friend, Edwin Price, joined the Clinton Fire Department within a few years of each other. Price is still there, but in 1996, Landrum retired as Chief, a position he'd held since 1982, to take a job with the Mississippi Bureau of Building, Grounds and Real Property Management; and

WHEREAS, Chief Landrum is remembered as a fire chief who took care of his men, a person who cared for his fellowman, and a good neighbor, citizen and friend:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the life and civic service of Jeff C. Landrum, former Fire Chief of Clinton, Mississippi, a life of giving and compassion to his fellowman, and express the sympathy of the Legislature to his family on his passing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to the surviving family of Jeff Landrum and be made available to the Clinton Fire Department and the Capitol Press Corps.