

By: Representatives Horne, Davis,  
Fillingane, Lott, Warren, Robinson (84th)

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 43

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING REVEREND BOB JONES UPON HIS  
2 RETIREMENT AS THE MUSIC MINISTER OF MAIN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH  
3 AFTER 30 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE.

4 WHEREAS, on February 17, 2002, Reverend Bob Jones announced  
5 his retirement as the Music Minister of Main Street Baptist Church  
6 in Hattiesburg, after 30 years of outstanding service; and

7 WHEREAS, Reverend Jones, a native of Meridian, received his  
8 education from Meridian Junior College, Mississippi College and  
9 New Orleans Baptist Seminary; and

10 WHEREAS, in 1970, Reverend Jones arrived in Hattiesburg at  
11 the Main Street Baptist Church, serving under longtime pastor, Dr.  
12 John E. Barnes; and

13 WHEREAS, Reverend Jones created and developed the Singing  
14 Christmas Tree at Main Street Baptist Church, one of the most  
15 anticipated programs during the holidays in the area; and

16 WHEREAS, in addition, Reverend Jones served several years on  
17 staff part time at the University of Southern Mississippi School  
18 of Music, where he developed the school's Church Music Department;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, although Reverend Jones is retiring as Music  
21 Minister, he will remain at Main Street Baptist Church as the  
22 Minister for Senior Adults; and

23 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
24 recognize and commend outstanding service of Mississippians such  
25 as Reverend Jones, who has dedicated his life and career to  
26 ministering to hundreds of people:



27           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
28 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
29 commend and congratulate Reverend Bob Jones upon his retirement as  
30 Music Minister of Main Street Baptist Church and express our  
31 heartiest wishes for success in all his future endeavors.

32           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
33 furnished to Reverend Bob Jones and to the members of the Capitol  
34 Press Corps.

