

By: Representative Denny

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 58

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MR.
2 JAMES A. WHEELER AND EXPRESSING OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY
3 AND FRIENDS UPON HIS PASSING.

4 WHEREAS, Mr. James A. Wheeler, a native of Laurel,
5 Mississippi, departed this life on March 16, 2002, causing a great
6 loss to his family and friends; and

7 WHEREAS, a retired Lieutenant Colonel, Mr. Wheeler served in
8 the United States Air Force during World War II and the Korean
9 Conflict with a total of 12 years of active duty and an additional
10 10 years as Air Force Academy Liaison Officer in the Fifth
11 Congressional District in the Air Force Reserve; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Wheeler received his college degree from the
13 University of Southern Mississippi, where he also served as one of
14 the founding members of the board of trustees of the USM
15 Foundation; and

16 WHEREAS, an active member of his community, Mr. Wheeler was a
17 devoted member of St. John's Episcopal Church, was elected twice
18 as President of the Laurel Chamber of Commerce and served as
19 President of the Laurel Red Cross; and

20 WHEREAS, throughout his life, Mr. Wheeler was recognized with
21 several awards including Boss of the Year by the Insurance Women
22 of Jackson in 1980 and Board Member Emeritus by the Kidney
23 Foundation of Mississippi; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Wheeler is survived by his dedicated wife of 53
25 years, Genie Moore Wheeler; one daughter, Cynthia Temples, and her
26 husband, John; two granddaughters, Mary-Baldwin and Claire; and
27 many other relatives:



28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
29 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
30 commend the life and accomplishments of Mr. James A. Wheeler and
31 express our deepest sympathy to his family and friends upon his
32 passing.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
34 furnished to the family of Mr. James A. Wheeler and to the members
35 of the Capitol Press Corps.

