

By: Representative Davis

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 61

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

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Ethan A. Moore, a native of Lauderdale County,  
5 Mississippi, departed this life on March 17, 2002, causing a great  
6 loss to his family and friends; and

7 WHEREAS, at the young age of ten, Mr. Moore sensed the  
8 blessing a caring funeral director could be to a grieving family  
9 and began to feel the tug of God's calling him to meet the needs  
10 of grieving families; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Moore was a loyal patriot for his country as he  
12 joined the United States Army Air Corps in World War II and was  
13 assigned to a B-17 Bomber crew and flew combat missions in Europe  
14 as a gunner and radio operator; and

15 WHEREAS, after returning from the war, Mr. Moore began his  
16 long career in funeral service at Webb Funeral Home in Meridian on  
17 September 1, 1946; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Moore remained at Webb Funeral Home for 13  
19 years, serving as the manager from 1951 to 1959; and

20 WHEREAS, in 1959, with nothing more than a loan from a  
21 personal friend, Mr. Moore purchased a small neighborhood funeral  
22 home in Hattiesburg; and

23 WHEREAS, throughout his 57-year career in the funeral home  
24 business, Mr. Moore has served as President of Moore Funeral  
25 Service, President of Home Security Life Insurance Company, former  
26 President of the Mississippi Funeral Directors Association, former



27 Treasurer and board member of the International Order of the  
28 Golden Rule; and

29 WHEREAS, Mr. Moore received formal education from Meridian  
30 Junior College, Gettysburg College, Gupton/Jones College of  
31 Mortuary Science and the National Foundation of Funeral Service  
32 School of Management; and

33 WHEREAS, Mr. Moore was a longtime member of Temple Baptist  
34 Church in Hattiesburg, where he served as an ordained Deacon and  
35 many other leadership positions; and

36 WHEREAS, in addition, Mr. Moore served as a former board  
37 member of numerous organizations, including the Board of the  
38 Mississippi Baptist Convention, the Home Mission Board of the  
39 Southern Baptist Convention, Forrest County Industrial Board,  
40 Hattiesburg Board of Directors for Trustmark National Bank, United  
41 Way, Hattiesburg Country Club, American Red Cross and the  
42 Salvation Army; and

43 WHEREAS, Mr. Moore was married to Ann Ash Moore, and was the  
44 father of three sons, Steve and Greg, both of whom have major  
45 roles in the funeral-related services, and Dr. David Scott Moore,  
46 an anesthesiologist; and

47 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of  
48 the State of Mississippi to recognize outstanding Mississippians  
49 such as Mr. Moore, who dedicated his life and career to helping  
50 and comforting hundreds of families during their time of loss:

51 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
52 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
53 commend the life of Mr. Ethan A. Moore and express our deepest  
54 sympathy to his family and friends upon his passing.

55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
56 furnished to the family of Mr. Ethan A. Moore and to the members  
57 of the Capitol Press Corps.

