By: Representative Cameron

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO REESTABLISH AND DESCRIBE AS THE OFFICIAL FLAG OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI THAT FLAG WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED AS THE STATE FLAG BY CHAPTER 37, LAWS OF 1894; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF 7 MISSISSIPPI, That the following amendment to the Mississippi 8 Constitution of 1890 is proposed to the qualified electors of the 9 state:

10 Amend the Mississippi Constitution of 1890 by creating a new 11 section to read as follows:

"SECTION . The flag of the State of Mississippi, as 12 established by Chapter 37, Laws of 1894, is hereby reestablished 13 14 as the official flag of the State of Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows: The flag of the State of 15 Mississippi shall have a width two-thirds (2/3) of its length, 16 with the union square two-thirds (2/3) of the width of the flag. 17 The ground of the union shall be red with a broad blue saltier 18 thereon, bordered with white and emblazoned with thirteen (13) 19 mullets or five-pointed stars, corresponding with the number of 20 the original states of the Union. The field shall be divided into 21 22 three (3) bars of equal width, the upper one blue, the center one white, and the lower one extending the whole length of the flag, 23 red--the national colors. The staff shall be surmounted with a 24 spearhead and a battle-axe below. The flag shall be fringed with 25 gold, and the staff gilded with gold." 26

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this proposed amendment shall be 28 submitted by the Secretary of State to the qualified electors at

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an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November 2003, as provided by Section 273 of the Constitution and by general law.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of this proposed 33 amendment for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed 34 constitutional amendment reestablishes and describes as the 35 official flag of the State of Mississippi that flag as established 36 by Chapter 37, Laws of 1894."