HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 61

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING REPRESENTATIVE CHARLIE SMITH FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, Representative Charlie Smith has served the citizens of House District 35, which includes Choctaw, Clay, Oktibbeha and Webster Counties for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Representative Smith graduated from Eupora High School, Holmes Community College and Mississippi State University; and

WHEREAS, Representative Smith currently serves on the Education, Constitution, Penitentiary, Transportation and Ways and Means Committees; and

WHEREAS, as a subcommittee chairman of Education, Representative Smith has been involved in promoting reading, character development, technology, teacher's salaries, books, curriculum and accountability; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Ways and Means Committee, Representative Smith deals with the tax and economic development in his service on this committee and has been appointed by Chairman Billy McCoy to study alternative energy and its application in our state; and

WHEREAS, Representative Smith places great emphasis on traditional American values and has served as Chairman of the Conservative Coalition of the House, an organization in the House that promotes limited government, free enterprise, individual liberties and strong traditional families; and
WHEREAS, in addition to his political accomplishments,
Representative Smith has founded the Sonshine Leadership
Development Foundation to make available public training,
resources and a connecting hub to promote leadership, character
development and financial responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Representative Smith has been lovingly supported in
all his endeavors by his wife, Jan, and his daughters, Charla and
Julia; and

WHEREAS, Representative Smith's friendly nature, constructive
attitude and forthright manner have had a positive influence on
all those who have had the pleasure of working with this highly
respected member of the House:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
commend and express our deepest appreciation to Representative
Charlie Smith for his many outstanding contributions to the
legislative process and the people of the State of Mississippi and
extend our heartiest wishes for success in all his future
endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
furnished to Representative Charlie Smith and to the members of
the Capitol Press Corps.