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By: Representatives Evans, Blackmon, Calhoun, Dedeaux, Ellis, Franks, Green, Robinson (63rd), Watson, West To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 91

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY ON

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2004, the unions of the AFL-CIO observe

4 Workers Memorial Day, to remember those who have suffered and died on the job and to renew the fight for safe workplaces; and 5 WHEREAS, since the first Workers Memorial Day was observed in 6 7 1989, workers and their unions have been fighting against efforts 8 to weaken job safety laws; and 9 WHEREAS, every year, hundreds of communities and work sites recognize workers who have been killed or injured on the job, and 10 11 trade unionists around the globe now mark April 28 as an international day of mourning; and 12 WHEREAS, for decades, the labor movement has led the fight 13 for and won stronger job safety protections that have improved the 14 15 lives of all workers, organized and unorganized; and WHEREAS, on Workers Memorial Day 2004, American workers will 16 speak out to make our voices heard for safe jobs and call for an 17 end to the attacks on the job safety law, stronger enforcement and 18 whistle blower protections and the right for workers to organize 19 20 and, through their unions, speak out and work for safe jobs, respect and a better future; and 21 22 WHEREAS, on Workers Memorial Day 2004, the workers call for 23 an end to attacks on workers' safety and health, stronger safety and health protections and enforcement, coverage for all workers 24 25 under the job safety law, fair and timely compensation for injured workers, the right of workers to organize and join unions without 26 employer interference or intimidation and the right of workers and 27

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28 unions to speak out for strong job safety laws and to have a voice 29 in the legislative and political process:

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF

31 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING 32 THEREIN, That we commemorate April 28, 2004, as Workers Memorial 33 Day and extend our heartfelt sympathy to the families and friends 34 who have lost loved ones in job-related accidents.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 36 furnished to members of the Capitol Press Corps.