

By: Senator(s) King

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 56

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING LEON SHAIFER UPON
2 HIS RETIREMENT AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE MISSISSIPPI EMERGENCY
3 MANAGEMENT AGENCY.

4 WHEREAS, after 30 years of service, Leon Shaifer has recently
5 announced his retirement as Deputy Director of the Mississippi
6 Emergency Management Agency; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Shaifer has provided a wealth of outstanding and
8 committed service to both the state and local emergency management
9 agencies, and has been a dedicated and valued employee; and

10 WHEREAS, after attending the University of Mississippi, Mr.
11 Shaifer began his career in emergency management as the part-time
12 Director of the City of Clarksdale/Coahoma County's Emergency
13 Management Agency on March 21, 1974; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Shaifer served as the Director of the Coahoma
15 County Civil Defense and has served the Mississippi Emergency
16 Management Agency in many capacities since October 31, 1986; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Shaifer's dedication and devotion to emergency
18 management allowed him to work through 22 Presidential Disaster
19 Declarations, 36 Small Business Administration Disaster
20 Declarations and numerous Gubernatorial Disaster Declarations; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Shaifer always responded to the needs of the
22 citizens of the State of Mississippi in any time of crisis or
23 emergency; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Shaifer has earned the love and respect of his
25 family, including his wife Dee Shaifer, and their four daughters,
26 nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and

27 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this
28 dedicated public servant for his many years of service to the
29 citizens of the State of Mississippi:

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
31 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Leon
32 Shaifer upon his retirement as Deputy Director of the Mississippi
33 Emergency Management Agency, and extend our warmest wishes for
34 continued success in all his future endeavors.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
36 furnished to Leon Shaifer and made available to the Capitol Press
37 Corps.