

By: Representatives Bentz, Patterson

To: Rules

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 23

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING PAUL COLLINS UPON BEING NAMED  
2 "OUTSTANDING CITIZEN" BY THE BILOXI LIONS CLUB.

3 WHEREAS, Paul Collins, a World War II veteran and father of  
4 nine who developed subdivisions in Biloxi and Gulfport, was named  
5 Biloxi's "Outstanding Citizen" for 2004 by the Biloxi Lions Club;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Collins is the seventy-fourth recipient of this  
8 honor, which celebrates deeds done in the previous year and those  
9 performed over the nominee's lifetime; and

10 WHEREAS, at age 81, Mr. Collins continues in the grand  
11 tradition of the great leaders and citizens of the coastal  
12 community through the giving and sharing of his many gifts and  
13 talents; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Collins humbly credited his parents with  
15 instilling in him the virtues of community service, is a member  
16 emeritus of the Bancorp South Advisory Board, past president of  
17 the Home Builders Association of the Mississippi Coast, a 58-year  
18 member of the American Legion, 16-year member of the Edgewater  
19 Rotary Club and former vice president of the Chamber of Commerce;  
20 and

21 WHEREAS, having also worked with Back Bay Mission and Habitat  
22 for Humanity, Mr. Collins' dedication to the community has been  
23 praised by Biloxi's Mayor, A.J. Holloway, for his positive impact;  
24 and

25 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of  
26 the State of Mississippi to recognize and commend excellence in  
27 such outstanding citizens as Mr. Collins, whose contributions to

28 the Biloxi community will have a tremendous impact upon the city's  
29 citizens:

30         NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
31 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
32 commend and congratulate Mr. Paul Collins upon his selection as  
33 2004 Outstanding Citizen 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 Mr. Collins and to the members of the Capitol Press  
37 Corps.