

By: Representatives Carlton, Mayo

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 29

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE 850TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY ON
2 ITS OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP, SELFLESS DEDICATION AND PATRIOTISM
3 SHOWN BY ITS SOLDIERS AND OFFICERS TO EFFECTIVELY ACCOMPLISH ITS
4 WARTIME MISSION.

5 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives of the State of
6 Mississippi wishes to acknowledge the many sacrifices made by the
7 850th Transportation Company Army Reserve Unit, based in Lyon,
8 Mississippi, in the war against terrorism that is being waged by
9 the United States both at home and overseas; and

10 WHEREAS, Mississippi's citizens have always been more than
11 willing to serve their country during times of conflict across the
12 world, and many have made the ultimate sacrifice by giving their
13 lives in times of war; and

14 WHEREAS, the United States Military Reservists have embarked
15 upon both missions to secure and preserve peace and to protect the
16 lives and interests of all Americans, thus exhibiting the high
17 caliber and readiness of our nation's and state's troops; and

18 WHEREAS, these "citizen soldiers" have undergone extensive
19 training through their respective reserve units while maintaining
20 a living and raising families of their own; and

21 WHEREAS, since September 11, 2001, soldiers of the 850th
22 Transportation Company, along with their comrades of the United
23 States Army, United States Navy, United States Air Force and the
24 Army and Air National Guard of Mississippi and surrounding states,
25 have been called to active service in defense of our nation's
26 freedom, and a renewed commitment to establish a free and
27 self-sustaining democratic government out of the tumultuous ruins
28 of tyranny and terror; and

29 WHEREAS, having also seen duty during Desert Storm, the 850th
30 was activated in November 2003 and went to Fort Stewart, Georgia,
31 for training before going to Iraq in early 2004; and

32 WHEREAS, as a transportation unit, soldiers of the 850th
33 traveled up and down all of the highways where bombs had been
34 detonated, delivering food, water, medical supplies and
35 ammunition; and

36 WHEREAS, President George W. Bush, Commander in Chief of the
37 United States Military and the United States Army Reserve Command,
38 whose leadership and dedication is known throughout the military
39 of the United States, continues to guide and command units of the
40 Army Reservists in mobilizations and deployments and security at
41 critical sites on foreign and domestic soils; and

42 WHEREAS, the Mississippi House of Representatives finds it
43 most appropriate to recognize and commend the diligence of the
44 850th Transportation Company for its devotion to this state and
45 nation to secure and insure peace and to preserve and protect
46 freedom for all:

47 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
48 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
49 commend the 850th Transportation Company on its outstanding
50 leadership, selfless dedication and patriotism exemplified through
51 the acts of the soldiers and officers in effectively accomplishing
52 its wartime mission.

53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
54 furnished to the commanding officers of the 850th Transportation
55 Company and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.