

By: Senator(s) Jackson (11th)

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 5

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE OF MRS. LOUISE WILLIS HOLMAN
2 OF MARKS, MISSISSIPPI, AND EXPRESSING THE SYMPATHY OF THE SENATE.

3 WHEREAS, Louise Willis Holman was born December 20, 1934, in
4 Greenwood, Leflore County, Mississippi to Fred and Mary Willis;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, she confessed Christ at Burrell Chapel Missionary
7 Baptist Church in Falcon, Mississippi. Later she united with
8 Eudora A.M.E. Zion Church in Marks, Mississippi, where she served
9 faithfully and dutifully until her untimely death; and

10 WHEREAS, she was united in holy matrimony to Mr. Jimmy L.
11 Holman on April 4, 1950. To this union three daughters were born;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, she attended the public schools in Quitman County
14 and graduated from Lambert High School in 1955. Mrs. Holman was
15 an active and successful entrepreneur in her community; and

16 WHEREAS, Mrs. Holman was an avid member of the Band Boosters
17 Club of Quitman County High School, served as Assistant
18 Superintendent of her Sunday School, Deaconess and Conference
19 Mission Worker for Eudora A.M.E. Zion Church; and

20 WHEREAS, on Thursday, January 6, 2005, Mrs. Holman departed
21 this life to live eternally with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, her surviving family includes: a loving and devoted
24 husband of 50 years, Jimmie L. Holman; three daughters, Alma
25 Holman and Joyce Holman both of Marks, Mississippi, and Louanne
26 Holman of Jackson, Mississippi; two stepsons, Joe (Linda) Rice of
27 Chicago, Illinois, Manuel (Banatha) Cooper of Memphis, Tennessee;

28 five sisters, Jeffery W. Crittendon of Cleveland Ohio, Dora H.
29 (John) Hare of Memphis, Tennessee; Cora W. (John) McCoullah of Oak
30 Park, Illinois, Annie M. (Raymond) Chevez of Chicago, Illinois,
31 Mildred (Charles) Chatman of Kenosha, Wisconsin; five brothers,
32 S.T. Willis of St. Louis, Missouri, Fred Willis of Detroit,
33 Michigan, R.B. Willis and Marion (Iretha) Willis of Chicago,
34 Illinois, Rev. Leon (Kitty) Willis of Monee, Illinois, Rev. Nelson
35 Willis and Milton (Diane) Willis of Chicago, Illinois; four
36 grandchildren, La Angela (Ashley) Pratcher, Jimmy D. Holman,
37 Louise Lewis and Alexandria Riley; one great-grandchild Ashton
38 Pratcher; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends; and

39 WHEREAS, Mrs. Holman's dedicated service to her church and
40 community serves as a model to all of the citizens of Marks and to
41 the entire State of Mississippi, it is with sadness that we note
42 the passing of this respected citizen:

43 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
44 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the life of Mrs. Louise
45 Willis Holman of Marks, Mississippi, and express to her surviving
46 family the sympathy of the Senate on her passing.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
48 the surviving family of Mrs. Holman and be made available to the
49 Capitol Press Corps.