

By: Representatives Moak,
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To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE UNITED STATES SENATE
2 FOR PASSING THE ANTI-LYNCHING RESOLUTION.

3 WHEREAS, as people of decency, integrity and honor should
4 condemn lynching that was performed due to racial and religious
5 prejudice; and

6 WHEREAS, lynching stemmed from racial and religious
7 persecution; and

8 WHEREAS, the great State of Mississippi agrees with the
9 United States Senate anti-lynching resolution; and

10 WHEREAS, at least 4,742 people, predominantly African
11 Americans, were reported lynched in the United States between 1882
12 and 1968; and

13 WHEREAS, the act occurred throughout the United States until
14 the middle of the twentieth century, with documented incidents in
15 all but four states; and

16 WHEREAS, 99% of all perpetrators escaped from punishment by
17 state or local officials; and

18 WHEREAS, nearly 200 anti-lynching bills were introduced in
19 Congress during the first half of the twentieth century, between
20 1890 and 1952, seven presidents petitioned Congress to end
21 lynching, and between 1920 and 1940, the House of Representatives
22 passed three strong anti-lynching measures; and

23 WHEREAS, only by coming to terms with history can the United
24 States effectively champion human rights abroad; and

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
26 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING

27 THEREIN, That we do commend and express appreciation to the United
28 States Senate for passing the anti-lynching resolution.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
30 furnished to any member of Congress, any United States citizen and
31 to the Capitol Press Corps.