

By: Representatives Patterson,
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To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING BUDDY SHEFFIELD UPON BEING
2 NAMED THE BILOXI BAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S 2005 BILOXIAN MADE GOOD
3 HONOREE.

4 WHEREAS, this year's Biloxi Bay Chamber's Biloxian Made Good
5 honoree, Buddy Sheffield, native Biloxian and theatrical writer,
6 attended Biloxi High School, where his love for theater grew and
7 in his senior year, upon being awarded a scholarship to the summer
8 theatre program at the University of Southern Mississippi (USM),
9 started college only three days after graduating from Biloxi High;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, very active in technical theatre as well as acting
12 while at USM, Mr. Sheffield was awarded the Louis Gertler Award
13 for proficiency in technical theatre for two consecutive years,
14 and while still a student began SET (Sheffield Ensemble Theatre),
15 a children's theatre company, which grew to become the most
16 popular theatre for youth in America; and

17 WHEREAS, based in Biloxi and proudly carrying the name of its
18 home city to every one of its venues, SET produced plays and
19 musicals for its home theatre in the summers and in the summer of
20 1978, the company produced a season of plays, including the
21 musical, *The Robber Bridegroom*, historical play, *Biloxi* and
22 *Cleavage*, a musical that experienced a short run on Broadway in
23 1980; and

24 WHEREAS, after an unfortunate series of events left the
25 Louisiana World Fair Exposition in financial strain, SET, which
26 was a primary entertainment contractor for the Expo, was forced to
27 leave the business; and

28 WHEREAS, never allowing his spirit to be dampened, Buddy
29 moved to the West Coast in 1984 and tried his hand as a television
30 screenwriter, which was a proven success as he continues to do so
31 some 20 years later; and

32 WHEREAS, to his credit Mr. Sheffield has written, co-written,
33 produced or co-produced for such shows as *In Living Color*, *Dolly*
34 *starring Dolly Parton*, *Don't Forget Your Toothbrush*, *The Emmy*
35 *Awards*, *The Edge*, *The Rosie and Buddy Show*, *Roundhouse*, *Super Bowl*
36 *Saturday Night*, *The Beverly Hillbillies*, *Straight Talk*, *It Takes a*
37 *Village* and is currently working on *Ruthless Debutantes*, a pilot
38 series for HBO; and

39 WHEREAS, his honors include the Sara Spenser Child Drama Cup,
40 the prestigious Jennie Heiden Award, three Emmy nominations, four
41 Cable Ace nominations, one Cable Ace award, one Ollie Award and
42 one NAACP Image Award; and

43 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the Legislature honors
44 one of its native sons, Mr. Buddy Sheffield, who has made such an
45 impressive mark on society through his television and theatrical
46 compositions:

47 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
48 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
49 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Mr. Buddy
50 Sheffield upon being named Biloxi Bay Chamber of Commerce's 2005
51 Biloxian Made Good honoree and express our heartiest wishes for
52 success in all his future endeavors.

53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
54 furnished to Mr. Buddy Sheffield and to the members of the Capitol
55 Press Corps.