

By: Representatives Akins, Gadd, To: Rules
McBride, Reynolds, Woods

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING OXFORD FIRE
2 DEPARTMENT CHIEF JERRY JOHNSON UPON BEING ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE
3 MISSISSIPPI FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION.

4 WHEREAS, Oxford Fire Department Chief Jerry Johnson was
5 recently elected President of the Mississippi Fire Chief's
6 Association at the combined 68th Annual Fire Chiefs and
7 Firefighters Association Conference 2005 in Vicksburg,
8 Mississippi; and

9 WHEREAS, previously serving as first vice president of the
10 association last year, Chief Johnson was recruited to seek the
11 position of president by his fellow fire chiefs; and

12 WHEREAS, as the point man and face of the Mississippi Fire
13 Chief's Association, which provides leadership and direction to
14 both career and volunteer fire chiefs through information,
15 education, services and representation, Chief Johnson's new duties
16 will include representing the association at all functions, act as
17 a resource and contact person for information for state and local
18 government and preside over all conferences; and

19 WHEREAS, the election to his new post speaks well of the men
20 and women associated with the Oxford Fire Department, who also
21 serve under him in his functioning capacity as county fire
22 coordinator for Lafayette County; and

23 WHEREAS, chief to 52 full-time firemen and 15 reserves, Chief
24 Johnson, whose department holds a Class 5 fire rating with the
25 State Insurance Rating Board, oversees the operations of three
26 stations which serve and protect approximately 12,000 Oxford

27 residents and 13,500 students on the campus of the University of
28 Mississippi; and

29 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
30 recognize the ability and skill of such experienced and
31 knowledgeable individuals as Chief Johnson, whose display of
32 leadership has afforded him the opportunity to lead his fellow
33 comrades:

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
35 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
36 commend and congratulate Chief Jerry Johnson upon his recent
37 selection as President of the Mississippi Fire Chief's Association
38 and express our heartiest wishes for success in all his future
39 endeavors.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
41 furnished to Chief Jerry Johnson and to the members of the Capitol
42 Press Corps.