

By: Representatives Patterson,
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To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 10

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

42 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
43 recognize and commend the works of a native son, such as Mr.
44 Sheffield, who has made an impressive mark on society through his
45 television and theatrical compositions, such as Mr. Sheffield:

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

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