MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representatives Davis, Ellington To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF CHARLES 1 "CHARLIE" R. BURCH AND EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY 2 3 AND FRIENDS UPON HIS PASSING. 4 WHEREAS, Charles "Charlie" R. Burch, departed this earthly life on Tuesday, September 20, 2005, at the age of 80, causing 5 great sorrow and loss to his family and friends; and 6 WHEREAS, a United States Navy veteran who served during World 7 8 War II, Mr. Burch was born in 1924 in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, to the late William "Bill" Burch and Flossie Callahan Burch Chapman; 9 10 and WHEREAS, Mr. Burch was a longtime resident of Jackson living 11 12 in the Raymond area for 15 years who had retired after 28 years of 13 commendable service as an automotive salesman with Noel's Auto 14 Supply; and 15 WHEREAS, having been classified as a true handyman, from carpentry, mechanizing and firefighting, Mr. Burch was a faithful 16 member of Midway Baptist Church for more than 52 years, serving as 17 18 deacon, Sunday School teacher and former coach of the church 19 ladies softball team; and 20 WHEREAS, characterized as "a wonderful Christian example, the 21 epitome of servanthood, soft-spoken, kind and humble man," Mr. 22 Burch was a nature enthusiast and loved the great American 23 outdoors; and WHEREAS, though he has traversed the rivers of life to now 24 stand on golden heavenly shores, his memory will never be 25 26 forgotten by those who loved him dearest, including: wife of 60 years, Mavis Carr Burch; daughter, Janet Burch McAlpin (Mike); two 27

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28 grandchildren, Josh and Ashley; great-grandchild, Caleb; and a 29 host of other relatives and friends; and

30 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to 31 commend the life of such an honorable individual as Mr. Burch, 32 whose life beamed with radiance and love:

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
34 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
35 commend the life and legacy of Charles "Charlie" R. Burch and
36 express deepest sympathy to his family and friends upon his
37 passing.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 39 furnished to Mrs. Mavis Burch and to the members of the Capitol 40 Press Corps.