

By: Representatives Carlton,  
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To: Rules

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 16

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE SELFLESS SERVICE AND ASSISTANCE  
2 OF CHARLIE CONERLY FOR PERFORMING EXEMPLARY EMERGENCY SERVICE IN  
3 HIS CAPACITY AS CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR FOR MARION AND JEFFERSON  
4 DAVIS COUNTIES DURING THE HURRICANE KATRINA CRISIS.

5 WHEREAS, when Hurricane Katrina made landfall on August 29,  
6 2005, causing catastrophic damage to the Mississippi Coastal  
7 Region as well as Central Mississippi, Charlie Conerly, Civil  
8 Defense Director for Marion and Jefferson Davis Counties, answered  
9 the call of duty; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Conerly eagerly, unselfishly and boldly stepped  
11 up to his duties assisting local civil authorities in preserving  
12 public and private property and enhancing the safety of citizens  
13 from Hurricane Katrina's anticipated destruction; and

14 WHEREAS, since the hurricane's landfall, Mr. Conerly has  
15 worked incessantly to coordinate with the Mississippi National  
16 Guard, law enforcement agencies throughout the state and region  
17 and public utility providers to ensure that the necessities of the  
18 citizens were being attended; and

19 WHEREAS, the days that followed Hurricane Katrina will remain  
20 embedded in our lives and minds, and the acts of kindness and  
21 compassion shown by Mr. Conerly will live on forever; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Conerly continues to demonstrate his commitment  
23 and fortitude by standing tall in the face of adversity, putting  
24 his personal life on hold, while providing comfort and assistance  
25 to fellow Mississippians during their time of need:

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
27 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
28 commend Charlie Conerly for his exemplary services, conduct and

29 performance rendered subsequent to Hurricane Katrina's  
30 unprecedented destruction.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
32 furnished to Mr. Conerly and to the members of the Capitol Press  
33 Corps.