By: Representatives Formby, Aldridge, Baker To: Rules (74th), Baker (8th), Bentz, Carlton, Davis, Denny, Fillingane, Gunn, Hamilton (109th), Hamilton (6th), Horne, Howell, Janus, Jennings, Masterson, Mims, Moore, Read, Reed, Robinson (84th), Rogers (61st), Smith (59th), Snowden, Staples, Turner, Upshaw, Warren, Weathersby, Wells-Smith, Woods

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 6, 2006, AS 1 "RONALD REAGAN DAY" IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI. 2 3 WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble 4 background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer, 5 Union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California and 6 7 President of the United States; and 8 WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction for 9 two terms as the 40th President of the United States of America, the second of which he earned the confidence of three-fifths of 10 11 the electorate and was victorious in 49 of the 50 states in general elections -- a record unsurpassed in the history of American 12 presidential elections; and 13 WHEREAS, in 1981, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated 14 15 President, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and 16 WHEREAS, during Mr. Reagan's presidency, he worked in a 17 bipartisan manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring 18 19 accountability and common sense to government, which led to an 20 unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for millions of Americans; and 21 22 WHEREAS, Mr. Reagan's commitment to an active social policy agenda for the nation's children helped lower crime and drug use 23 24 in our neighborhoods; and

25 WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to our Armed Forces 26 contributed to the restoration of pride in America, her values and 27 those cherished by the free world, and prepared America's Armed 28 Forces to meet 21st century challenges; and

29 WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of "peace through 30 strength" led to the end of the Cold War and the ultimate demise 31 of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights for millions 32 of people; and

33 WHEREAS, February 6, 2006, will be the 95th anniversary of 34 Ronald Reagan's birth, the second since his passing, and it is the 35 policy of the House of Representatives to recognize, honor and 36 observe the contributions of such an emphatically influential 37 individual:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby declare February 6, 2006, to be Ronald Reagan Day in Mississippi, and urge all citizens of Mississippi to take cognizance of this event and participate in its observance. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be furnished to the Capitol Press Corps.