

By: Representative Mayo

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 75

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND WORKS OF REVEREND JERRY
2 LEE SALLEY AND EXPRESSING SYMPATHY UPON HIS PASSING.

3 WHEREAS, Reverend Jerry Lee Salley departed this life on
4 November 25, 2005, causing a great loss to his family and friends;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Reverend Salley, a native of Indianola, was born on
7 October 31, 1943, to his caring and loving parents, the late Oscar
8 and Edna Timbs Salley; and

9 WHEREAS, a staunch believer in education, Reverend Salley
10 graduated from Delta State University and later was active in
11 various aspects of education and administration at Coahoma
12 Community College and Agricultural High School; and

13 WHEREAS, Reverend Salley retired as an assistant to the
14 President of Coahoma Community College and Agricultural High
15 School after faithfully serving the school for 27 years; and

16 WHEREAS, after retiring, Reverend Salley attended Memphis
17 Theological Seminary and graduated with a master's degree of
18 theology and served as the Assistant Chaplain at Methodist
19 Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee; and

20 WHEREAS, Reverend Salley also served as a Methodist minister
21 in Friars Point, Lula and Longtown and was serving as the minister
22 of Sageville and Wesley United Methodist Churches in Meridian at
23 the time of his passing; and

24 WHEREAS, Reverend Salley traveled the country presenting
25 "Jerry Salley as Mark Twain," in which he skillfully appeared
26 throughout the Mid-South and helped charities raise tens of

27 thousands of dollars with his excellent portrayal of the American
28 author; and

29 WHEREAS, Reverend Salley is survived by his lovely and
30 supportive wife, Peggy; four children, Liza, Christopher, Carol
31 and Carl; grandchildren, Merrill, Anna, Ella, Laura, John, JP,
32 Andy, Melissa, Jenny, Brian, Evon, Cierra and Virginia; and four
33 great-grandchildren; and

34 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
35 recognize and pay tribute to an exemplary Mississippian such as
36 Reverend Jerry Lee Salley who devoted his life to improving the
37 education system and to ministering to those in need:

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
39 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
40 commend the life and works of Reverend Jerry Lee Salley and
41 express our deepest sympathy to his family during their time of
42 loss.

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
44 furnished to the family of Reverend Jerry Lee Salley and to the
45 members of the Capitol Press Corps.