

By: The Entire Membership

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 82

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE OF DR. ANNIE BELL LOWERY AND
2 EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS UPON HER
3 PASSING.

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Annie Bell Lowery, born December 26, 1940, to
5 Mr. and Mrs. Pearlie Bell of Starkville, Mississippi, departed
6 this earthly life on March 19, 2006, to enter into eternal rest
7 with her Heavenly Father, causing great sorrow and loss to her
8 family and friends; and

9 WHEREAS, with a father and mother who stressed the importance
10 of education and personal initiative, Dr. Lowery, after completing
11 high school in Oktibbeha County Public Schools, earned a
12 bachelor's degree from Mississippi Vocational College (MVSU), and
13 then furthered her education by earning a master's degree in
14 elementary education from Indiana University in 1970 and her
15 doctorate in elementary education from the University of Oregon in
16 1975; and

17 WHEREAS, in 1961, Dr. Lowery met her husband-to-be Dr.
18 Marvlee Lowery, Jr., whom she married on June 18, 1966, and from
19 this union was born their lovely daughter, LeAndra M. Lowery, in
20 1978; and

21 WHEREAS, Professor Lowery retired as Director of Field
22 Experiences at Mississippi Valley State University on July 31,
23 2003, after 33 years of dedicated and exemplary service to her
24 alma mater, its students and administration; and

25 WHEREAS, Dr. Lowery was a member of Samuel Chapel United
26 Methodist Church in Itta Bena, Mississippi, and was also quite

27 active as a leader and participant in many professional and social
28 organizations; and

29 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
30 recognize and commend the life and accomplishments of such
31 dedicated individuals as Dr. Lowery, whose life was an inspiration
32 to all with whom she came in contact:

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 of Dr. Annie Bell Lowery and express our deepest
36 sympathy to her family and friends upon her passing.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
38 furnished to the family of Dr. Lowery and to the members of the
39 Capitol Press Corps.