

By: Representative Espy

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING EARL BARRON, JR.,
2 FOR HAVING AUGUST 12, 2006, NAMED IN HIS HONOR BY THE CITY OF
3 CLARKSDALE.

4 WHEREAS, the City of Clarksdale, Mississippi, was proud when
5 one of their own became a member of the elite club of champions
6 when his team, the Miami Heat, won the 2006 National Basketball
7 Association Championship; and

8 WHEREAS, as a result of the great pride felt by many citizens
9 of Clarksdale, August 12, 2006, was declared Earl Barron, Jr. Day;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, no one could be as proud as his parents, Jeraldean
12 and the late Earl Barron, Sr.; and

13 WHEREAS, this "son" of Clarksdale graduated with honors from
14 Clarksdale High School in 1999; and

15 WHEREAS, as a high school student, he excelled in basketball
16 and tennis; and

17 WHEREAS, as a high school basketball player, he averaged 21
18 points, 11 rebounds and five blocks; and

19 WHEREAS, as a high school tennis player, he defeated all
20 district opponents in mixed doubles and advanced to the state
21 semifinals with the assistance of his tennis partner, Molly
22 Grantham; and

23 WHEREAS, after graduating from high school, he attended the
24 University of Memphis as scholar-athlete as a member of the
25 University of Memphis Tiger Basketball Team; and

26 WHEREAS, as a college basketball player, he earned status in
27 the 1000 Point Club and helped his team win the 2002 National

28 Invitational Tournament title, scoring 25 points on 11 of 14
29 shootings, and being named to the Spalding-NIT All-Tournament
30 Team; and

31 WHEREAS, during his tenure at the University of Memphis, he
32 was one of only 12 collegians selected to represent the United
33 States of America in the 2001 World University Games in China; and

34 WHEREAS, this esteemed athlete graduated from the University
35 of Memphis in 2003 with a bachelor of business administration
36 degree; and

37 WHEREAS, before displaying his exceptional basketball talents
38 on the Miami Heat Basketball Team, he played in China, Turkey and
39 the Philippines and National Basketball Developmental League; and

40 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of
41 the State of Mississippi to recognize and commend such honors as
42 having a specific day officially named in your honor:

43 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
44 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
45 celebrate and commend Earl Barron, Jr., for having August 12,
46 2006, named in his honor by the City of Clarksdale.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
48 furnished to Earl Barron, Jr., Jeraldean Barron and to the members
49 of the Capitol Press Corps.