

By: Representative Stevens

To: Rules

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 97

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MRS.  
2 JANE RACHEL FOR 51 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO LEONARD'S  
3 DEPARTMENT STORE.

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Jane Rachel has been a dedicated employee of  
5 Leonard's Department Store (Leonard's) for 51 years where she  
6 continues to work faithfully as a business manager; and

7 WHEREAS, Mrs. Rachel, a native of Kosciusko, was born to her  
8 loving parents, the late Emmett and Lovie Melton Prevost, who  
9 instilled in Mrs. Rachel a staunch work ethic; and

10 WHEREAS, putting her work ethic into practice, over 51 years  
11 ago, Mrs. Rachel began her career at Leonard's as a proficient  
12 secretary for W.C. Leonard, Sr., and W.C. Leonard, Jr.; and

13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Rachel became Leonard's adept business manager  
14 after the store was sold to Bernard Russell by W.C. Leonard, Jr.,  
15 and since that time Mrs. Rachel, as the business manager, has made  
16 sure that the store's business affairs are always in order; and

17 WHEREAS, having been employed by two generations of the  
18 Leonard family, Mrs. Rachel, who has no immediate plans to retire,  
19 has worked with several individuals with whom she has created  
20 lasting and fond memories, and she continues to foster such  
21 memories with her colleagues whom she works with today; and

22 WHEREAS, Mrs. Rachel has been lovingly supported in all her  
23 endeavors by her husband, Bernard; their wonderful son, Randy; and  
24 their two delightful grandchildren; and

25 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize  
26 great Mississippians such as Mrs. Jane Rachel who has been  
27 instrumental in helping ensure that a historical and customer

28 service oriented business such as Leonard's Department Store  
29 continues to be a strong economic force, which not only helps the  
30 City of Kosciusko but this great state as a whole:

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
32 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING  
33 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Mrs. Jane  
34 Rachel for her 51 years of dedicated service to Leonard's  
35 Department Store, and we wish her continued success in all of her  
36 future endeavors.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
38 furnished to Mrs. Jane Rachel and to the members of the Capitol  
39 Press Corps.