

By: Representatives Coleman (29th), Norquist To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 104

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE UNITED PARCEL
2 SERVICE OF AMERICA, INC. (UPS), UPON THE CELEBRATION OF ITS 100TH
3 YEAR ANNIVERSARY AND COMMENDING THE COMPANY FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS
4 TO THE CITIZENS OF MISSISSIPPI.

5 WHEREAS, August 28, 2007, marks the 100th anniversary of a
6 global corporate icon, the United Parcel Service of America, Inc.
7 (UPS), the world's largest package delivery company that stands
8 today as a critical pipeline for global economic activity; and

9 WHEREAS, UPS was founded in 1907 in the City of Seattle by a
10 19-year-old teenager named Jim Casey, who borrowed \$100.00 to
11 start his own messenger service and over the past 100 years, the
12 world has witnessed the transformation of this company from a
13 \$100.00 single-city bicycle messenger company into a \$47 billion
14 company; and

15 WHEREAS, throughout the past 100 years, Mr. Casey has guided
16 the transformation of this company from one primarily focused on
17 package delivery in the United States to a broader provider of
18 transportation-based supply chain services; and

19 WHEREAS, its transformation from a department-store type
20 delivery service into a common carrier offering package delivery
21 service throughout the United States, an international package
22 delivery service with its own airline, and now, a trusted business
23 partner that enables commerce for its customers by synchronizing
24 the flow of goods, information and money has made it the global
25 corporate icon it is today; and

26 WHEREAS, UPS employs more than 427,000 people, operates the
27 world's largest package delivery network, operates the planet's

28 eighth-largest airline, utilizes almost 92,000 vehicles, and
29 offers an ever-expanding array of supply chain services; and

30 WHEREAS, the company has served Mississippi since 1971 and
31 currently employs more than 2,200 people who operate 22 package
32 sorting facilities and makes more than 75,000 package deliveries
33 each business day in Mississippi, connecting people, communities,
34 and businesses; and

35 WHEREAS, in addition to its business contributions, UPS
36 incorporates an emphasis on community service and citizenship that
37 is evidenced by its donation of thousands of dollars annually to
38 many charitable organizations, including the Mississippi Food
39 Network and the United Way; and

40 WHEREAS, UPS came to the rescue of Mississippians during the
41 Hurricane Katrina crisis by donating a whopping \$1.25 million to
42 assist Hurricane Katrina relief efforts for Mississippi and Gulf
43 Coast residents; and

44 WHEREAS, UPS strives to continue to provide both a
45 substantial economic impact to the people of Mississippi and focus
46 on cultivating deep partnerships with the communities it serves;
47 and

48 WHEREAS, the services that UPS provides connect the people of
49 Mississippi to more than 200 countries through an expansive
50 transportation network that truly synchronizes global commerce;
51 and

52 WHEREAS, UPS quickly restored service after Hurricane Katrina
53 in spite of the 20 package hubs and centers throughout the region
54 that suffered damage during Katrina and had to be repaired at a
55 total cost of \$8.3 million; and

56 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
57 and honor companies that not only create economic development
58 opportunities within the state, but give back to our communities
59 in times of crisis:

60 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
61 OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN, That
62 we do hereby congratulate the United Parcel Service Of America,
63 Inc. (UPS), upon celebrating its 100th year anniversary and
64 commend the company for its contributions to the citizens of
65 Mississippi.

66 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
67 furnished to Mississippi employees of the United Parcel Service of
68 America, Inc., and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.