By: The Entire Membership

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 94

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE CAREER AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF 1 ALFRED LEE "FROG" WILSON, SR., ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT, AND EXPRESSING TO HIM THAT HE WILL BE VERY MUCH MISSED AT THE 2 3 4 CAPITOL. 5 WHEREAS, our friend and colleague Alfred Lee "Frog" Wilson, 6 Sr., was born on April 10, 1947, in Itta Bena, Mississippi, to Annie Mae Wilson and J.B. Leggett; and 7 8 WHEREAS, he moved to Jackson as a child and has lived here 9 for the majority of his life, leaving his home state of Mississippi on occasion--to be with his father in California once 10 11 in his youth, and then again for a longer time after his mother passed away; and 12 13 WHEREAS, when he returned to Jackson after his first stay in 14 California, Alfred entered public service by working for several 15 years at Central High School before returning to California; and 16 WHEREAS, while residing in California, Alfred started a 17 successful career with Safeway Food Stores working as a forklift 18 operator for the company; and WHEREAS, during that time, he married Robi Jones, and 19 although this first marriage ended, Alfred became the proud father 20 21 of his son, Alfred Lee Wilson, Jr., and of his stepchildren, 22 Reggie and Vickie; and WHEREAS, upon his permanent return to Mississippi in the late 23 24 1970s, Alfred worked for Service America for approximately five years, before he returned to public service; and 25 26 WHEREAS, this legislative body was very fortunate in that when Alfred returned to public service in 1984, it was to work for 27 28 the Mississippi House of Representatives; and * HR12/ R2153* 94 H. R. No. N1/2 07/HR12/R2153 PAGE 1 (TBT\DO)

29 WHEREAS, during his tenure with the House of Representatives, 30 Alfred has distinguished himself as a loyal and faithful friend 31 and colleague of each member of the House and its staff, all of whom value and treasure his friendship; and 32

33 WHEREAS, his talent and abilities quickly made it clear that 34 he was capable of serving as the Official House Messenger, 35 entrusted with delivering sensitive and financial transaction 36 documents to locations outside the Capitol, and he has served in 37 that position for many years; and

38 WHEREAS, Alfred's cheerful attitude and great sense of humor, along with his readiness to assist and serve both Representatives 39 40 and staffers, have made it our extreme pleasure to work with him 41 all these years; and

WHEREAS, he is the beloved husband of Christine Jones, having 42 joyfully shared his life with her for 30 happy and blessed years, 43 44 and he is the proud and loving patriarch of a large and handsome 45 family, including his son and daughter-in-law, Alfred and Monique 46 Wilson; his stepchildren, Barbara Lynn, Christell, James, 47 Layvette, Reggie and Vickie; and his grandchildren, Christopher, Jasmine, Jonathan, Kara, Mikell, Nikiya, Tiffany and Torez; and

49 WHEREAS, in addition to his outstanding career, Alfred has 50 found time to celebrate life by enjoying various hobbies, 51 including fishing, cooking, playing bingo and spending good times with his family and many friends; and 52

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53 WHEREAS, not only has Alfred experienced great success in playing bingo over the years, but he is known by all to be a very 54 55 accomplished fisherman, as demonstrated by his record-breaking catch of February 15, 2006, where he caught a largemouth bass 56 57 weighing 13 pounds 3 ounces on the Spillway at the Ross Barnett 58 Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, our friend Alfred, known to us with great affection 59 60 and love as "Frog," will be retiring for health reasons earlier 61 than we had hoped, and we want him to know that his generous and * HR12/ R2153* H. R. No. 94 07/HR12/R2153

62 loving spirit, his ready smile, and his sunny disposition will be 63 very much missed at the Capitol; that he has brought much 64 happiness and joy to his many friends and family members; and that 65 even though he may be retired, he will never be forgotten at the 66 Mississippi State Capitol:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
commend the career and accomplishments of our dear friend and
colleague, Alfred Lee "Frog" Wilson, Sr., and express to him that
he will be very much missed at the Capitol and that we hope he
will visit as often as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be presented to Mr. Alfred Lee "Frog" Wilson, Sr., and furnished to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.