

By: Senator(s) Fillingane,  
Burton, Chaney, Frazier

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2

1 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING MRS. MARY ROSALEE  
2 JOHNSON BOUNDS AS A "REAL DAUGHTER" OF THE CONFEDERACY RESIDING IN  
3 MISSISSIPPI.

4 WHEREAS, Mary Rosalee Johnson Bounds is an alert, outgoing  
5 89-year-old lady born on March 7, 1918. She is a "Real Daughter"  
6 of the Confederacy, meaning she is the daughter of a Confederate  
7 soldier who fought in The War Between the States; and

8 WHEREAS, her father was Daniel Johnson. Mary was born when  
9 her father was 77 years old; and

10 WHEREAS, Daniel Johnson was born in 1841 and on July 15,  
11 1861, at the age of 19, he enlisted in Company H, 14th Mississippi  
12 Infantry Regiment of the Confederate States of America at Newton  
13 County, Mississippi. Like the majority of other soldiers in this  
14 war, Daniel did not own slaves, nor did his family. He was  
15 fighting, not to keep or hold slaves, but to preserve his southern  
16 culture. He was captured at Fort Donaldson, Tennessee, when it  
17 fell to Union Commander Ulysses S. Grant on February 16, 1862.  
18 After enduring several months as a prisoner at Camp Douglas,  
19 Illinois, in September of the same year, his unit boarded the  
20 steamer John H. Done and was taken to Vicksburg where they were  
21 exchanged and, immediately afterwards, reorganized. Under the  
22 command of Major G.R. Gerald, the same regiment surrendered on May  
23 4, 1865, at Citronelle, Alabama, and were paroled at Meridian,  
24 Mississippi, on May 9, 1865; and

25 WHEREAS, after the war, Daniel Johnson remained in  
26 Mississippi, living most of his life in Lamar County in the  
27 Bellevue Community where he farmed to support his family. He died

28 in 1926 and is buried at the Rawls Cemetery in Sumrall,  
29 Mississippi. After the war, he lived peacefully as a  
30 well-respected member of the community. He served faithfully in  
31 war and was just as true and faithful as a citizen; and

32 WHEREAS, he married his third wife, Miss Mary Josephine  
33 Ainsworth, July 11, 1902, in Marion County, Mississippi. She died  
34 September 17, 1951, and is buried in the Rawls Cemetery in Lamar  
35 County, Mississippi. To this union, four children were born, one  
36 boy and three girls, including Mary, who is now 89 years old and  
37 the last surviving child of the couple; and

38 WHEREAS, Mary married Columbus Rankin Bounds on November 14,  
39 1931, in Lamar County, Mississippi. Columbus died on June 8,  
40 1994, and is buried at the Rawls Cemetery in Lamar County,  
41 Mississippi. Eight children were born to this union, five sons  
42 and three daughters. Of these, four are deceased, Laverne  
43 Columbus Bounds, Carl D. Bounds, Danny Bounds and Beverly Bounds  
44 Collins. Gerald Bounds resides in Ocean Side, California; Burnell  
45 Bounds lives in Northport, Florida; Lesia Bounds Jordan lives in  
46 Petal, Mississippi; and Judy Bounds Carter makes her home in the  
47 Richburg Community in Lamar County, Mississippi; and

48 WHEREAS, to place Mrs. Bounds' life in perspective, only a  
49 few months after she was born on March 7, 1917, President Woodrow  
50 Wilson declared war and the American Quartet was singing *Goodbye*  
51 *Broadway, Hello France*. During the span of her 89 years, she has  
52 lived through two World Wars, seen 16 U.S. Presidents elected, and  
53 experienced the Great Depression. She has witnessed the  
54 introduction of the automobile, television and computer  
55 technology, and recalls listening to *The Grand Ole Opry* on  
56 Saturday night radio; and

57 WHEREAS, April is "Confederate Heritage Month" in Mississippi  
58 and across the nation, and it is appropriate that we acknowledge  
59 that The War Between the States was an important crossroads in our  
60 history; and

61           WHEREAS, Mary is a member of the United Daughters of the  
62 Confederacy, Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee, Chapter #2583, Purvis,  
63 Mississippi, and it is with pride that we join them in recognizing  
64 and honoring Mrs. Mary Rosalee Johnson Bounds and the service of  
65 her father, Daniel Johnson, who fought to defend his homeland and  
66 contributed to the rebuilding of the country as a model citizen of  
67 the State of Mississippi:

68           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
69 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby recognize and commend Mrs. Mary  
70 Rosalee Johnson Bounds of Moselle, Mississippi, as a "Real  
71 Daughter" of the Confederacy residing in the State of Mississippi,  
72 on the occasion of her presentation by the United Daughters of the  
73 Confederacy, and extend to her the best wishes of the Senate in  
74 her future endeavors.

75           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
76 Mrs. Bounds and appropriate officers in the United Daughters of  
77 the Confederacy and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.