

By: Representative Williams-Barnes

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE DISTINGUISHED CAREER
2 AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF DR. JOHN J. ZIELINSKI, M.D., UPON THE
3 OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT.

4 WHEREAS, Dr. John J. Zielinski of Ocean Springs, Mississippi,
5 an outstanding Doctor of Medicine who has devoted over 50 years to
6 bringing healing, comfort and hope to the countless patients
7 treated by him, has retired from the practice of medicine on
8 January 1, 2016; and

9 WHEREAS, after being awarded his medical degree in 1965, Dr.
10 Zielinski completed the Cedar Rapids Internship Program in Cedar
11 Rapids, Iowa, the Surgical Preceptorship at The Surgical
12 Associates in Mason City, Iowa, and ultimately completed his
13 General Surgery Residency Program at Keesler Air Force Base in
14 Biloxi, Mississippi; and

15 WHEREAS, a true medical professional, Dr. Zielinski's thirst
16 for knowledge lasted throughout his career and, in 2007, he
17 brought an end to his formal education by attending the



18 Gastroenterology Preceptorship at New Gulf Coast Surgical
19 Endoscopy Center in Ocean Springs, Mississippi; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Zielinski was awarded the Surgeon General's
21 Award of the United States Air Force in 1972, became board
22 certified in general surgery in 1973 and received a certification
23 award for basic and advanced laser surgery in 1989; and

24 WHEREAS, Dr. Zielinski's experience includes many prestigious
25 posts such as Keesler Air Force Base, Ingalls Shipbuilding, where
26 he practiced Occupational Medicine, Digestive Health Care in Ocean
27 Springs, Mississippi, and Biloxi Regional Medical Center, now
28 known as Merit Health Biloxi; and

29 WHEREAS, while Dr. Zielinski has added immensely to the
30 medical profession through his affiliation with many different
31 health care providers, perhaps the greatest, immeasurable
32 contribution he has made as a practicing physician for over 50
33 years has been to the untold number of individual patients and
34 their families who, faced with the uncertainty that only a
35 life-threatening illness can bring, have experienced his
36 compassionate care and wisdom in determining the best course of
37 treatment for each particular case; and

38 WHEREAS, although his decision to say goodbye to a thriving
39 medical practice and the many patients whom he has loved dearly
40 was not made lightly, Dr. Zielinski's legacy as a professional and
41 caring doctor will continue on in the hearts and minds of those he
42 has served; and



43 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to acknowledge
44 and commend the invaluable health care providers who choose to
45 make a living in this state and serve our communities:

46 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
47 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
48 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend the long and distinguished
49 career of Dr. John J. Zielinski, M.D., upon the occasion of his
50 retirement from the private practice of medicine and extend to him
51 sincerest wishes for a long and healthy retirement marked by
52 continued success in all of his future endeavors.

53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
54 furnished to Dr. John J. Zielinski and to the members of the
55 Capitol Press Corps.

