

By: Representatives Busby, Anderson, Barton, DeLano, Eure, Guice, Read, Zuber To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION MOURNING THE LOSS AND COMMENDING THE
2 LIFE, LEGACY AND SERVICE OF FORMER MAYOR OF PASCAGOULA, MR. ROBERT
3 HENRY "ROBBIE" MAXWELL AND EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS
4 FAMILY AND FRIENDS UPON HIS PASSING.

5 WHEREAS, "To everything there is a season, and a time to
6 every purpose under the Heaven," and as such, the grand architect
7 of the universe, the immaculate author and finisher of our soul's
8 destiny, has summoned the mortal presence of dearly beloved, Mayor
9 Robert Henry "Robbie" Maxwell, to eternal rest, as he has made
10 life's final transition from earthly travailing to heavenly
11 reward, rendering great sorrow and loss to his family and friends;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, this City of Pascagoula lost a wonderful friend and
14 longtime public servant on Friday, November 6, 2015, with the
15 passing of former Mayor Robert Henry "Robbie" Maxwell, at the age
16 of 76, surrounded by loved ones; and

17 WHEREAS, always a servant to his state and to his country,
18 Robbie served in the National Guard, United States Army and worked
19 24 years with the Pascagoula Police Department; and



20 WHEREAS, as one always seeking and bestowing knowledge,
21 Robbie earned his degree from the University of Southern
22 Mississippi, where he later taught criminal justice, and he
23 further graduated from the FBI National Academy and the Secret
24 Service Dignitary Protection program; and

25 WHEREAS, Robbie strove not only to serve those he was called
26 to protect, but also the other law enforcement professionals with
27 whom he worked while serving as the past President and Executive
28 Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Law Enforcement Officers
29 Association; and

30 WHEREAS, an incredibly hard worker, Robbie started a second
31 career immediately after retirement from the Pascagoula Police
32 Department in 1984 as the Administrator of the Jackson County
33 Youth Court; and

34 WHEREAS, one who was sought out for his expertise, Robbie was
35 tapped by, now retired Senator Trent Lott, to join his
36 Congressional staff where Robbie actively supported legislation
37 that ultimately became the Police Corps Act of 1994; and

38 WHEREAS, his career could only go higher, as President George
39 W. Bush appointed Robbie as the National Director of the Office of
40 the Police Corps and Law Enforcement Education at the United
41 States Department of Justice in November 2001, and Robbie retired,
42 yet again, this time from federal public service on December 31,
43 2003, after serving the government for 23 years; and



44 WHEREAS, when he returned home to Pascagoula, Robbie knew
45 that there was still more ways he could serve, and after founding
46 Robert Maxwell and Associates, he was elected Mayor of Pascagoula
47 in 2009; and

48 WHEREAS, his years of labor were known to the entire
49 community, and April 21, 2015, was declared "Robbie Maxwell Day"
50 in Pascagoula by the city council and he was presented a Key to
51 the City; and

52 WHEREAS, Robbie's outstanding legacy will live on through the
53 "Robbie Maxwell Scholarship" funded by the Bascot-McCarty
54 Foundation on which Robbie had served on the board of directors
55 for 36 years; and

56 WHEREAS, though he has traversed the river of life to reunite
57 with those who answered God's summons to life eternal and now
58 beckon his arrival to the celestial shores of Heaven's grandeur,
59 including his first wife Barbara Jeanette Maxwell, his parents and
60 two siblings, the legacy of Mayor Robbie Maxwell's memory will
61 continue to refresh the hearts and fond memories of his beloved
62 survivors: devoted wife, Jeanie Martin; children, Nicky Maxwell,
63 Dane Maxwell, Robbie Perez and Amy Cobb; grandchildren, Chad
64 Maxwell, Drew Maxwell, Lyndsey Lamb, Anna Perez, William Maxwell
65 Perez, Katherine Cullen Perez, Taryn Cheek, Chandler Cheek, Lawren
66 Cobb and Emily Jean Cobb; one great-grandchild, Aubrey Leigh
67 Maxwell; nine siblings; and a host of other relatives and friends;
68 and



69 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to commend the
70 life of a remarkable individual such as former Mayor Maxwell,
71 whose life's light was an impassioned beacon of inspiration to all
72 as he imparted his life's light of wisdom into the lives of all he
73 encountered along this earthly sojourn:

74 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
75 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
76 THEREIN, That we do hereby mourn the loss, commemorate the life
77 and legacy of former Pascagoula Mayor Robert Henry "Robbie"
78 Maxwell, and express sincere sympathy to his family and friends
79 upon his passing.

80 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
81 furnished to the family of Robert Henry Maxwell and to the members
82 of the Capitol Press Corps.

