

By: Representative Formby

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 42

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MRS.
2 GLADYS HUGHES UPON HER MANY LIFE'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

3 WHEREAS, a woman of so many achievements, Mrs. Gladys Hughes,
4 at the age of 92 experienced life through the Great Depression,
5 countless wars and still remains the most patriotic and joyful
6 lady around; and

7 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hughes felt the call of duty and left college
8 as a junior to enlist in the United States Coast Guard during
9 World War II serving as a HA1C medic, and upon returning home
10 after faithfully serving her country, Gladys understood the
11 importance of a quality education and persevered to achieve a
12 bachelor's degree from the University of Nebraska, an admirable
13 feat which spanned the course of 12 years due to giving birth to
14 her two children along the way; and

15 WHEREAS, with great insight into her talents, Mrs. Hughes
16 completed a master of fine arts degree program at Baylor
17 University which would define her career as a 30-year veteran
18 teacher of speech and drama, an author of three novels and a



19 community thespian, having directed or performed 79 plays for the
20 Picayune On Stage theater group; and

21 WHEREAS, Gladys appreciates beauty at every stage and in
22 every avenue of life, winning 2nd Runner-Up in the 2012 Ms.
23 Veteran America competition, which works to promote issues of
24 homeless female veterans, and earning the crown of Ms. Mississippi
25 Senior America in 2003, where she emphasized children's theater;
26 and

27 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hughes has endured more health impediments than
28 imaginable, but she has risen above these temporary setbacks by
29 giving back to others by means of counseling women on
30 reconstructive surgery and donating plasma twice a week, which is
31 needed to make Rhogam shots that protect pregnant women with
32 Rh-negative blood type; and

33 WHEREAS, having lived such a full and distinguished life,
34 Gladys still has more to do, believing that 90 is the new 60, she
35 is able to spend these golden years with the love of her life,
36 Hughie Hughes, and her two children, four grandchildren, five
37 great-grandchildren and beloved pet, a Bichon Frise named DeeDee;
38 and

39 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
40 the life achievements of outstanding role models such as Gladys
41 Hughes:

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
43 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING



44 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Gladys Hughes
45 on her many accomplishments and convey our wishes for her
46 continued future happiness.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
48 furnished to Mrs. Gladys Hughes and to the members of the Capitol
49 Press Corps.

