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Caughman, Clarke, Fillingane, Frazier, Hill,  
McMahan, Simmons (13th), Stone, Watson,  
Jackson (11th), Jackson (32nd)

To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 506

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SALUTING THE MILITARY SERVICE OF  
2 SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE MARINE CORPS RONALD L. GREEN OF JACKSON,  
3 MISSISSIPPI.

4 WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Green assumed his current post as the  
5 18th Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps on February 20, 2015. A  
6 native of Jackson, Mississippi, he attended recruit training at  
7 Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina, in  
8 November 1983. He has been meritoriously promoted to the ranks of  
9 Private First Class, Lance Corporal, Corporal, Sergeant and Staff  
10 Sergeant; and

11 WHEREAS, throughout his career, Sergeant Major Green has been  
12 assigned numerous duties to include: Field Artillery Cannoneer;  
13 Field Artillery Nuclear Projectileman; Tower Operator; Drill  
14 Instructor, Senior Drill Instructor and Drill Master; Battery  
15 Section Chief, Battery Gunnery Sergeant and Assistant Marine  
16 Officer Instructor at Southern University and A&M College; First  
17 Sergeant of Inspector-Instructor Staff, B Company, 1st Battalion,  
18 23rd Marine Regiment; and Sergeant Major of Headquarters Marine



19 Corps Henderson Hall, Marine Corps Forces Europe/Marine Corps  
20 Forces Africa, and 1st Marine Expeditionary Force; and

21 WHEREAS, he was deployed to Somalia with the 13th Marine  
22 Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) during Operation  
23 Restore Hope in 1993; to South America in support of Operation  
24 United Americas (UNITAS) in 2002; and with Marine Light Attack  
25 Helicopter Squadron 169 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in  
26 2006; and

27 WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Green holds a Bachelor of Science  
28 Degree in Cybersecurity and a Master of Science Degree in  
29 Cybersecurity Policy from the University of Maryland University  
30 College. Sergeant Major Ronald Green attended Jim Hill High  
31 School and played in the band, and attended Alcorn State  
32 University, Lorman, Mississippi, for one year. Sergeant Major  
33 Green's father, Wilbur Walters, is a retired Deputy Superintendent  
34 of Schools in Hinds County; his mother passed away in 2003. He  
35 has two brothers and one sister who reside in Jackson,  
36 Mississippi. One of his brothers is the Assistant Chair of the  
37 Engineering Department at Jackson State University; and

38 WHEREAS, the post of Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps was  
39 established in 1957 as the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the  
40 Commandant of the Marine Corps, the first such post in any of the  
41 five branches of the United States Armed Forces. In 1970, the  
42 distinctive rank insignia of the Sergeant Major of the Marine  
43 Corps was authorized and features the Eagle, Globe and Anchor



44 flanked by two stars, as opposed to the standard Sergeant Major  
45 rank insignia, which was used for the rank from the post's  
46 creation in 1957 to 1970, and has a single five-point star in the  
47 center. While Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps is the full  
48 wording of the rank, verbal address for this is commonly "Sergeant  
49 Major." The Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps is selected by the  
50 Commandant of the Marine Corps and typically serves a four-year  
51 term, though his service is at the discretion of the Commandant.  
52 Since Wilbur Bestwick was appointed the first Sergeant Major of  
53 the Marine Corps in 1957, 18 different Marines have filled this  
54 post; and

55 WHEREAS, we join the Commandant of the Marine Corps in  
56 extending the thanks of a grateful state with gratitude and  
57 appreciation for outstanding performance of duty:

58 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
59 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
60 we do hereby salute the Military Service of Sergeant Major of the  
61 Marine Corps Ronald L. Green of Jackson, Mississippi.

62 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
63 Sergeant Major Green and his family, forwarded to the Commandant  
64 of the Marine Corps, and made available to the Capitol Press  
65 Corps.

