By: Senator(s) Parks, Barnett, Frazier, Jackson (32nd), Watson

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 18

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2	THE MIS	SISSIPPI	LEGIS	SLATURI	E TO	CATERPILLA	AR,	INC.,	I NC	TS :	35TH	
3	ANNIVER	SARY OF	OPERA	rions :	IN MI	ISSISSIPPI.						

- WHEREAS, Caterpillar has been a proud partner of industry in
- 5 North Mississippi for 35 years. What began with 11 employees in
- 6 1982 has grown to include more than 1,200 employees in
- 7 remanufacturing operations facilities and logistics warehouses in
- 8 Corinth and Booneville; and
- 9 WHEREAS, remanufacturing is the process of returning
- 10 end-of-service-life products to same-as-when-new condition or
- 11 better at a fraction-of-new cost, using state-of-the-art
- 12 technologies and production processes, while reducing impact on
- 13 the environment. Cat Reman is an exchange business. Customers
- 14 are charged a price well below new for a Reman product, plus a
- 15 deposit, which is refunded when the customer returns their used
- 16 component. Cat Reman components offer like-new performance at a
- 17 lower price point than a new component, yielding the best
- 18 life-cycle cost option for many customers. Caterpillar is a

- 19 global leader in remanufacturing, offering more than 7,000
- 20 products to the marketplace, produced by around 4,000 employees
- 21 located in the United States, Mexico, Asia and Europe. Cat Reman
- 22 has had 500,000 tons of material returned and repurposed over the
- 23 past 10 years, adding value to customers and to the environment;
- 24 and
- 25 WHEREAS, Caterpillar's remanufacturing operations in
- 26 Mississippi have experienced impressive growth during the past 35
- 27 years, not only in head count, but also in product offerings and
- 28 impact to the enterprise and the state. The Mississippi
- 29 operations remain Caterpillar's cornerstone for remanufacturing,
- 30 with the recent addition of two new products assembled locally.
- 31 Caterpillar dealers from around the world travel to Mississippi to
- 32 learn about the benefits of remanufacturing, touring the
- 33 facilities in Corinth and Booneville as well as visiting area
- 34 landmarks; and
- 35 WHEREAS, the local Caterpillar team is proud of its
- 36 contributions to the company and to Mississippi. Collaborating
- 37 with other employers, business development organizations,
- 38 charities and government officials, employees strive to improve
- 39 the economy, education and quality of life within the state. In
- 40 2014, Corinth hosted the Caterpillar Executive Office and Board of
- 41 Directors for the company's Annual Shareholders Meeting,
- 42 demonstrating the skilled workforce and advanced salvage
- 43 technologies located here. In 2011, the company recognized

- 44 employees in its Mississippi Reman facilities with the Caterpillar
- 45 Foundation Community Service Award. Caterpillar and its employees
- 46 give of their time and resources to support United Way
- 47 organizations, local food pantries, Angel Tree programs, Northeast
- 48 Mississippi Community College and area schools, and many other
- 49 charitable and civic organizations; and
- 50 WHEREAS, for more than 90 years, Caterpillar, Inc., has been
- 51 making sustainable progress possible and driving positive change
- 52 on every continent. Customers turn to Caterpillar to help them
- 53 develop infrastructure, energy and natural resource assets. With
- 54 2016 sales and revenues of \$38.537 Billion, Caterpillar is the
- 55 world's leading manufacturer of construction and mining equipment,
- 56 diesel and natural gas engines, industrial gas turbines and
- 57 diesel-electric locomotives. This year, Caterpillar will
- 58 celebrate 35 years of remanufacturing operations in Mississippi,
- 59 recognizing employees who contribute to the facilities' success
- 60 each day; and
- 61 WHEREAS, with a strong history of operational excellence,
- 62 Caterpillar is ready to meet the challenges of the future with a
- 63 team focused on the safety of each individual, the quality of
- 64 products delivered to customers, the innovation for continuous
- 65 improvement and the sustainability of our Mississippi communities:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 67 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby salute and extend the
- 68 congratulations to the executives and employees of Caterpillar,

- 69 Inc., on the occasion of its 35th Anniversary Celebration of
- 70 operations in Mississippi.
- 71 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
- 72 the Operations Manager for Caterpillar, Inc., Mississippi,
- 73 forwarded to the Executive Director of Mississippi Development
- 74 Authority, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.