

By: Representative Holloway

To: Rules

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 96

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING ELDER CLIFTON GOODLOE, JR., FOR HIS  
2 OUTSTANDING DEDICATION AND TREMENDOUS SERVICE TO HIS CHURCH AND TO  
3 HIS COMMUNITY.

4 WHEREAS, as an exceptional pillar of his community, Elder  
5 Clifton Goodloe, Jr.'s tremendous commitment to his church and to  
6 his community is an inspiration to all; and

7 WHEREAS, the seventh of eight children born to Bishop Clifton  
8 Goodloe, Sr., and Helene Goodloe in Canton, Mississippi, Elder  
9 Goodloe attended Cameron Street High School, and after graduation  
10 he moved to Los Angeles, California, and worked for the United  
11 States Postal Service; and

12 WHEREAS, Elder Goodloe married Delores Thompson in 1964 and  
13 moved back to Canton, residing in the Cobbsville Community for  
14 over 50 years, and throughout the past 54 years of marriage, Elder  
15 Goodloe and Mrs. Goodloe were blessed with six children and 15  
16 grandchildren; and

17 WHEREAS, Elder Goodloe accepted Christ as his personal savior  
18 in October 1966 during a revival at Pleasant Green Church of



19 Christ Holiness USA in Canton, and the message during the service  
20 that night was taken from Joshua 24:15, which states in part,  
21 "...but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."; and

22 WHEREAS, working diligently throughout his life to keep his  
23 commitment to Christ, Elder Goodloe raised his children in  
24 accordance with his faith, and he strives to be a positive  
25 influence for his grandchildren, setting an example of a life of  
26 service to Christ; and

27 WHEREAS, Elder Goodloe accepted his call to the ministry and  
28 preached his first sermon on July 4, 1976, at Pleasant Green  
29 Church of Christ Holiness USA, and he spent many years serving in  
30 leadership roles in the church and community, and he served on  
31 various committees and in various capacities; and

32 WHEREAS, in January 2018, Elder Goodloe started his 24th year  
33 as Pastor of the Greater Damascus Church of Christ Holiness USA in  
34 Hazlehurst, where he serves as the full-time senior pastor, and he  
35 enjoys mentoring two associates, Elder Sean Daniels and Minister  
36 Clifton Goodloe III; and

37 WHEREAS, often saying that he is "determined to finish his  
38 course with joy," Elder Goodloe passes the torch to his children  
39 so that they may carry on the spirit of service to Christ, to the  
40 community and to others, as he transitions to a less public life;  
41 and

42 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
43 commend outstanding Mississippians, especially those such as Elder



44 Clifton Goodloe, Jr., whose extraordinary devotion to his church  
45 and to his community brings honor to his family, his community and  
46 to the State of Mississippi:

47       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
48 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
49 commend Elder Clifton Goodloe, Jr., for his outstanding dedication  
50 and his tremendous service to his church and to his community.

51       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
52 furnished to Elder Clifton Goodloe, Jr., and to the members of the  
53 Capitol Press Corps.

